

# Probing the dark matter distribution of Milky Way-like galaxies

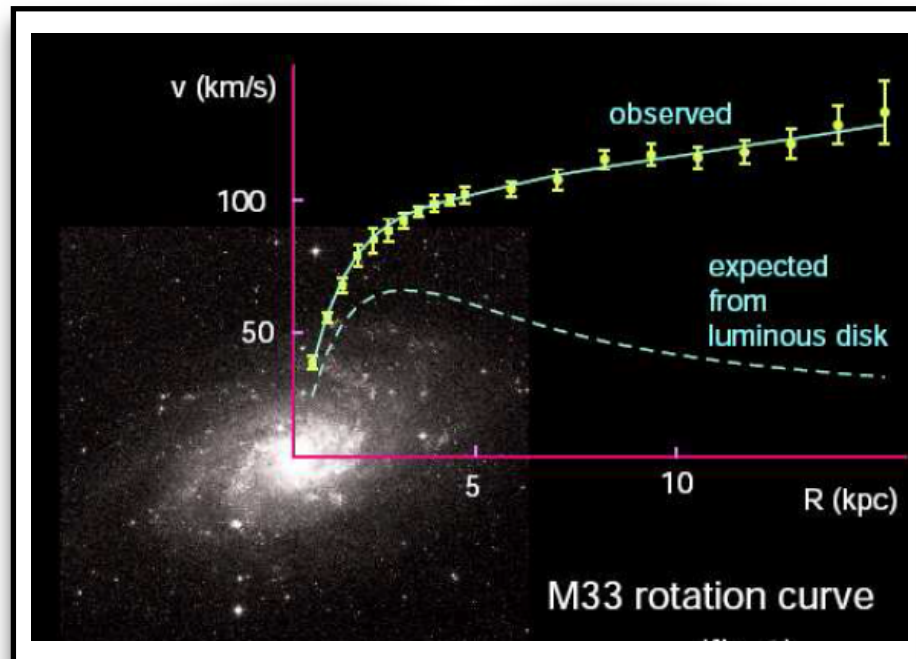
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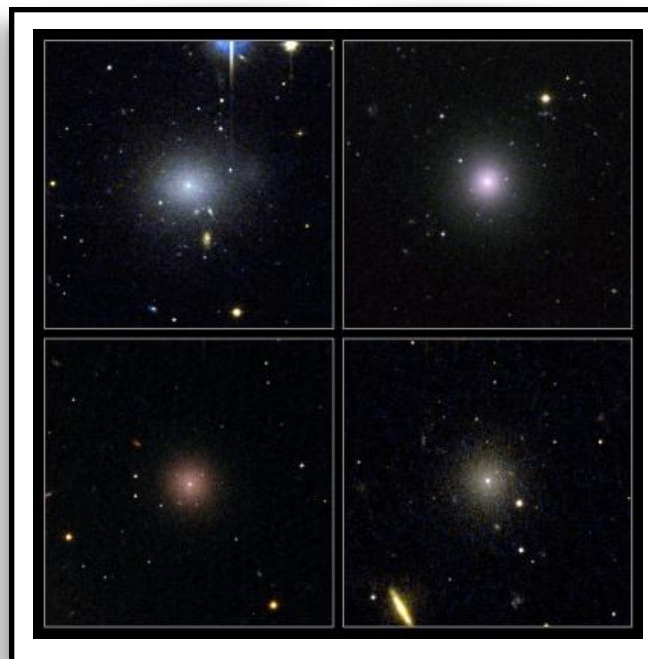


# Evidence for Dark Matter

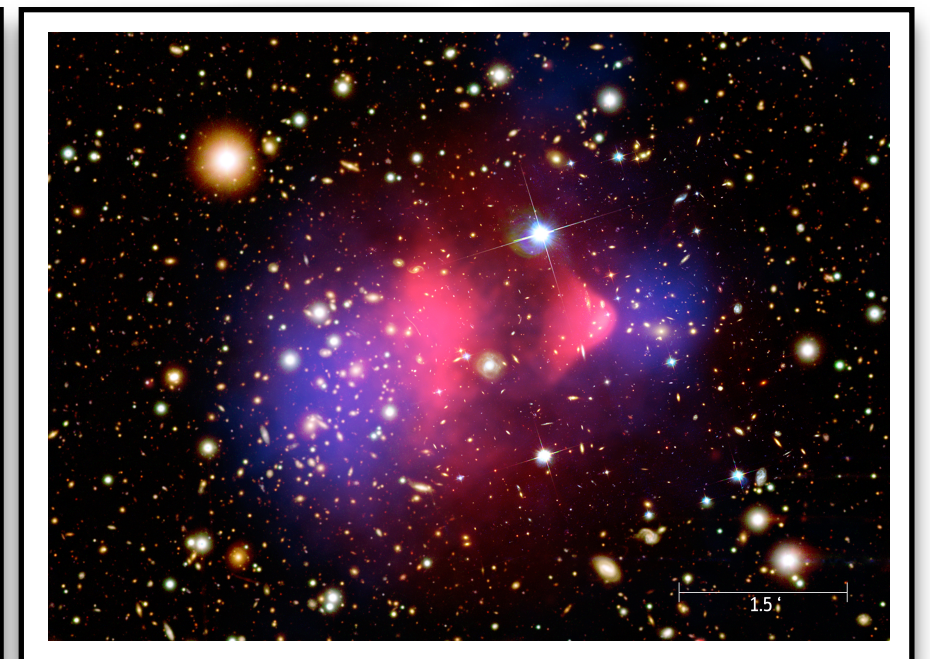
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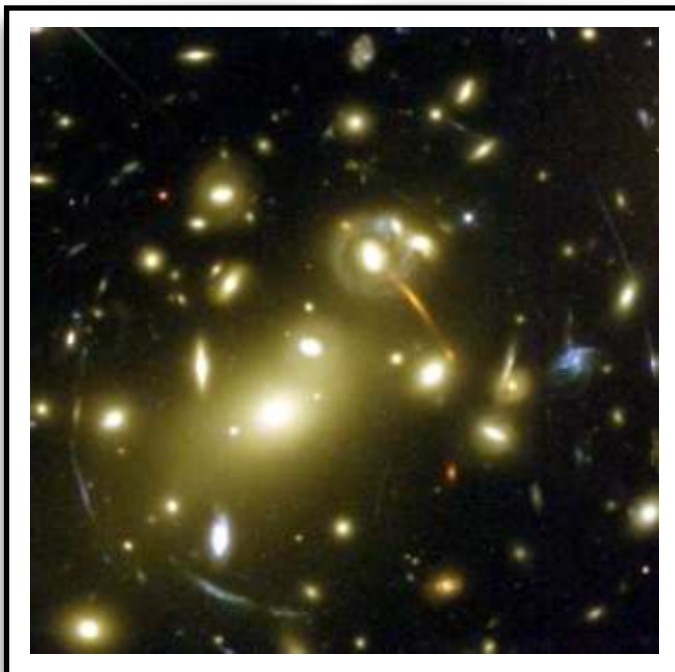
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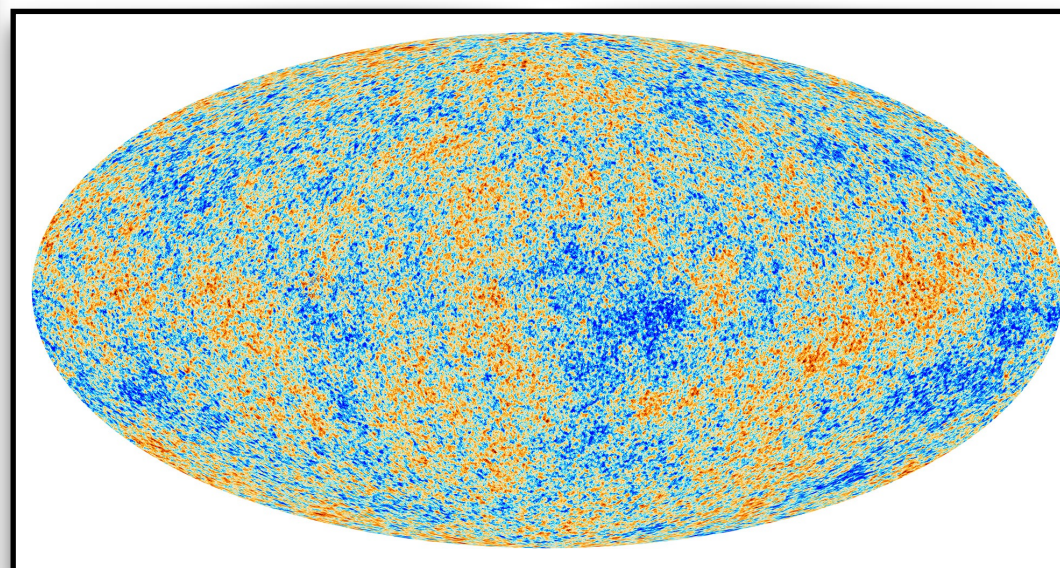
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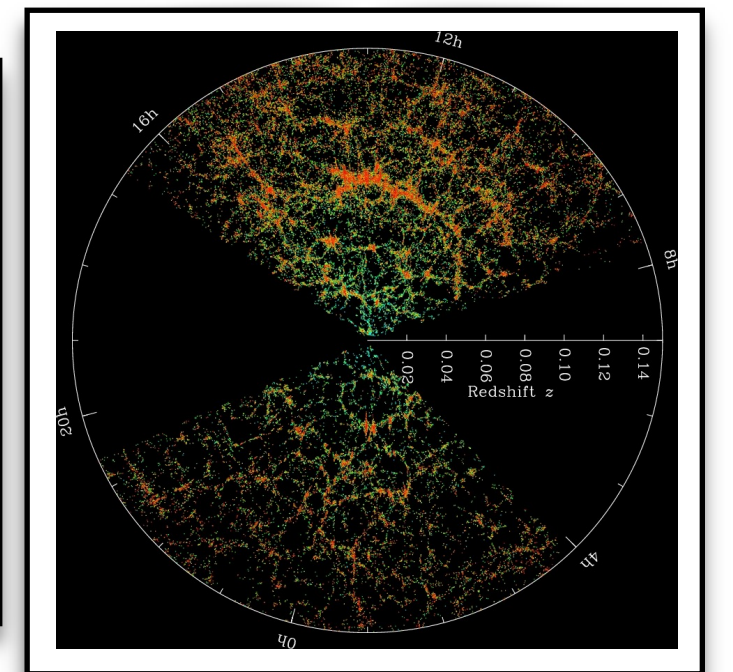
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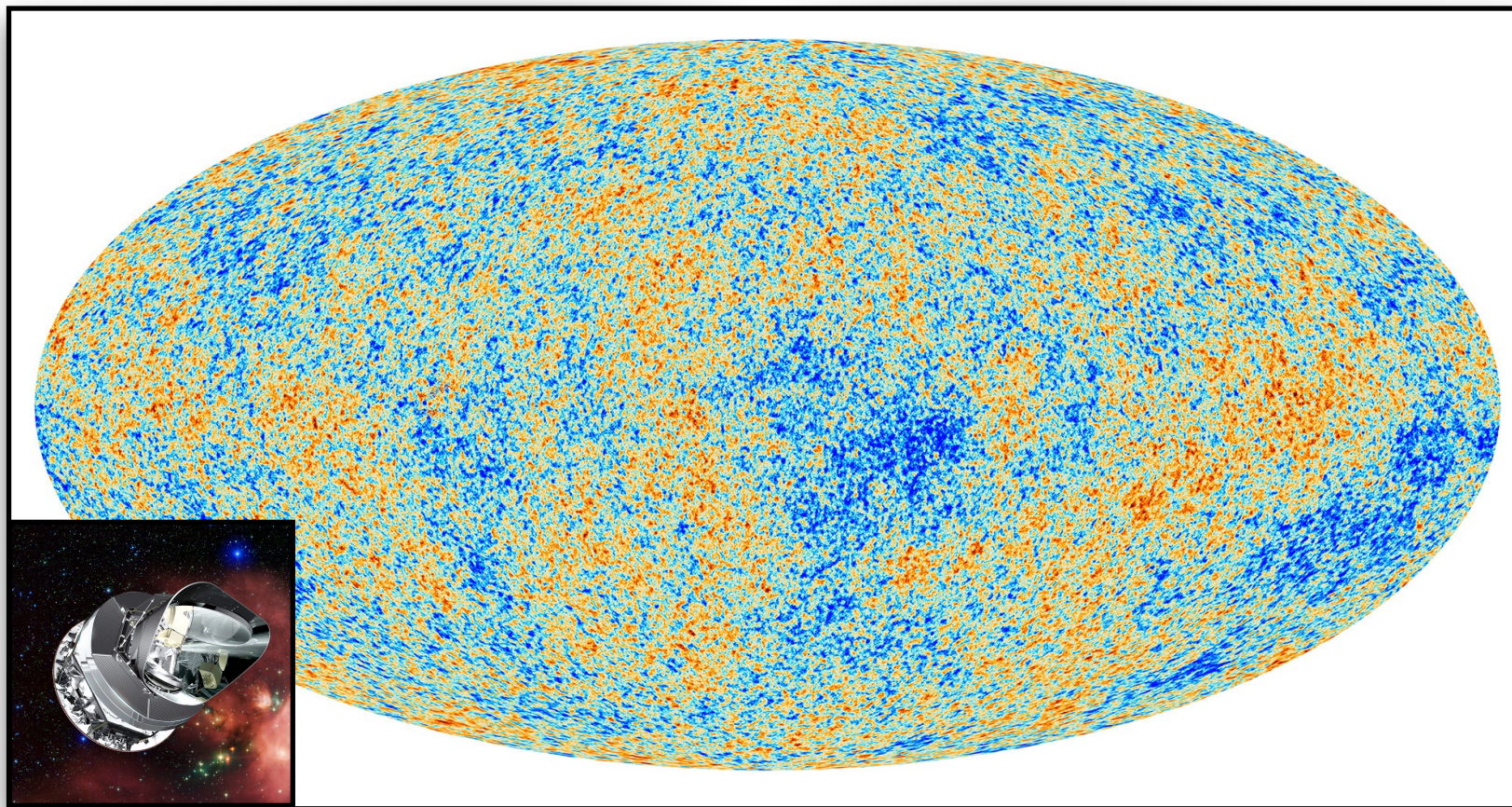
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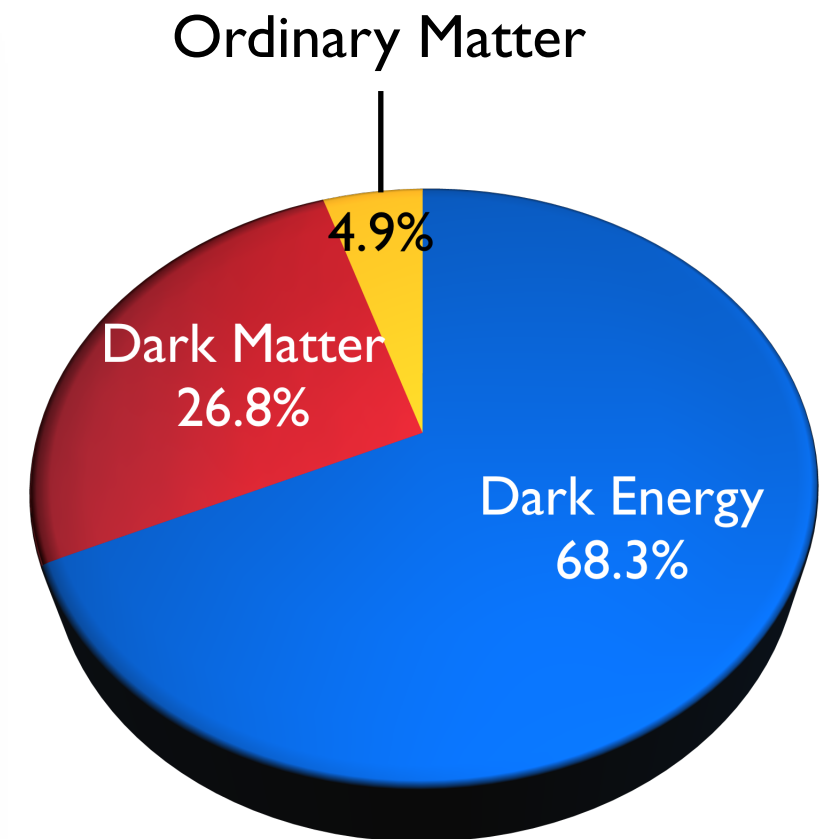


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Measurements of temperature fluctuations in the CMB provide a precise determination of the Dark Matter (DM) density in the Universe.

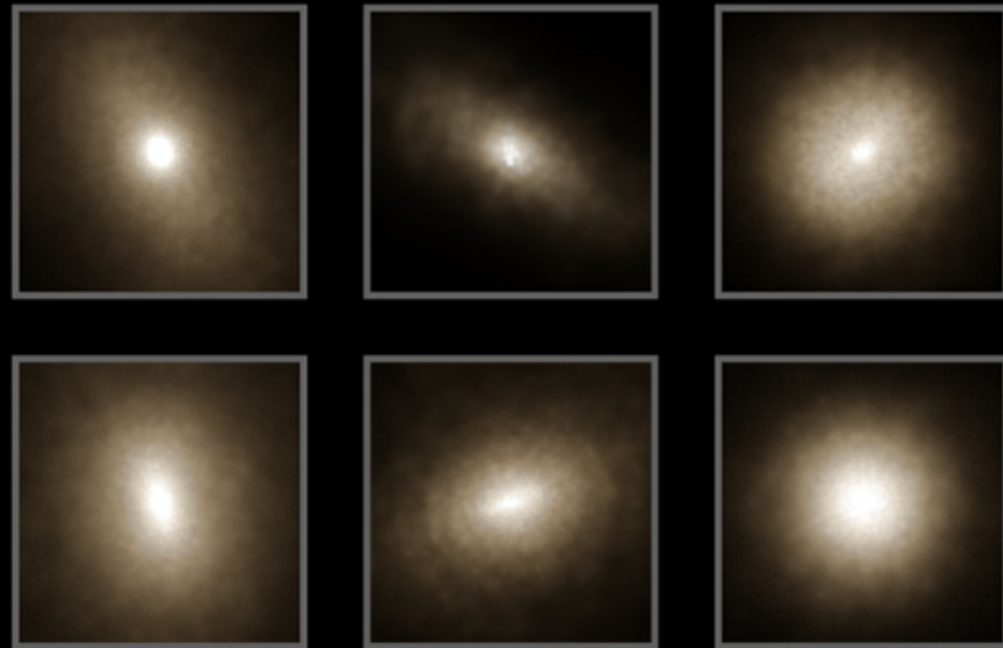


Planck 2015

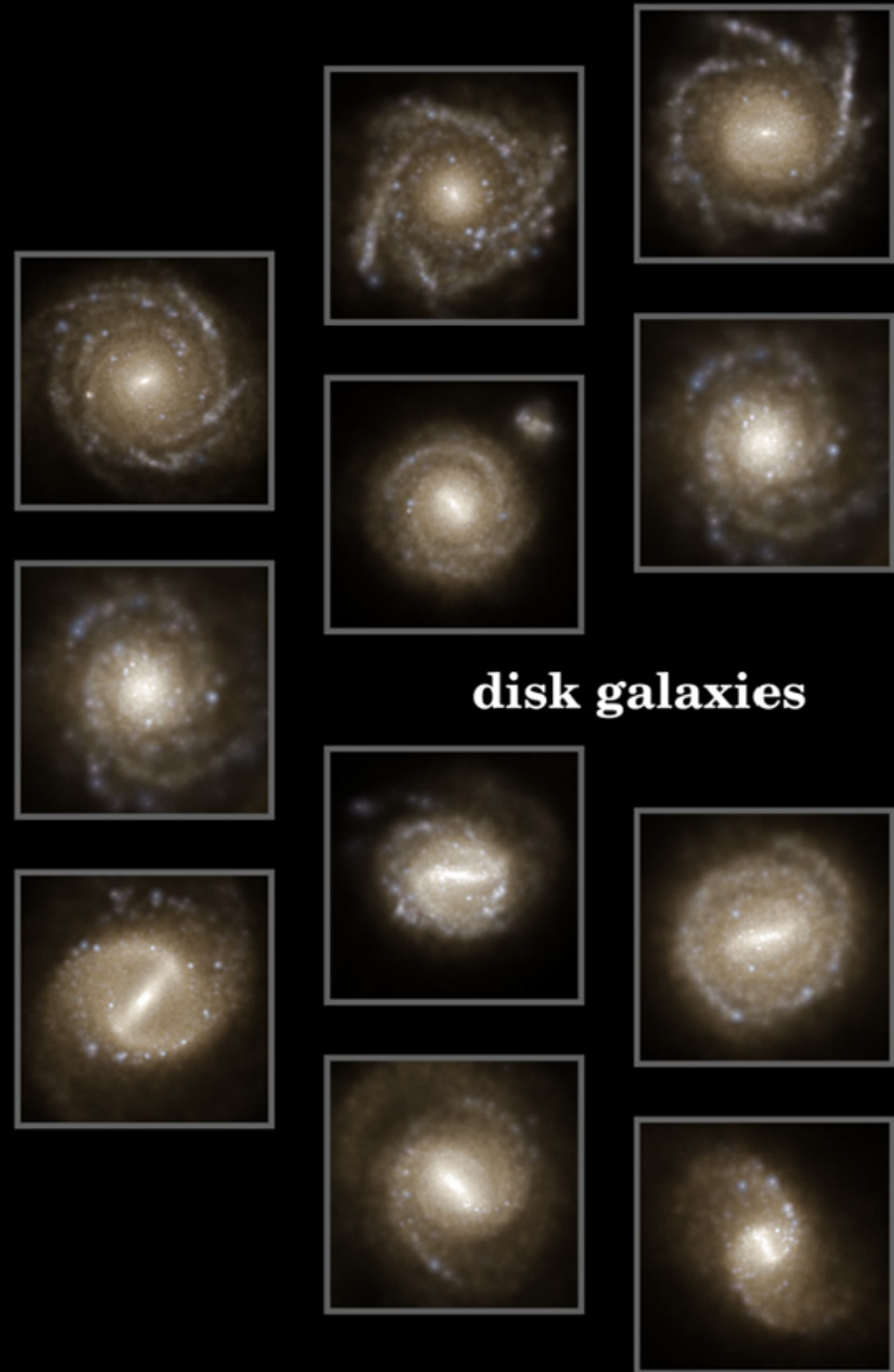




# Our simulated Universe

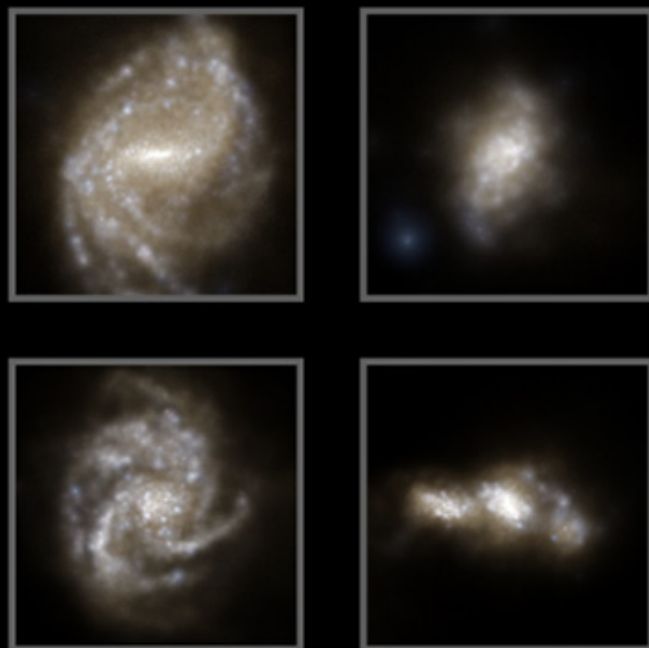


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**disk galaxies**

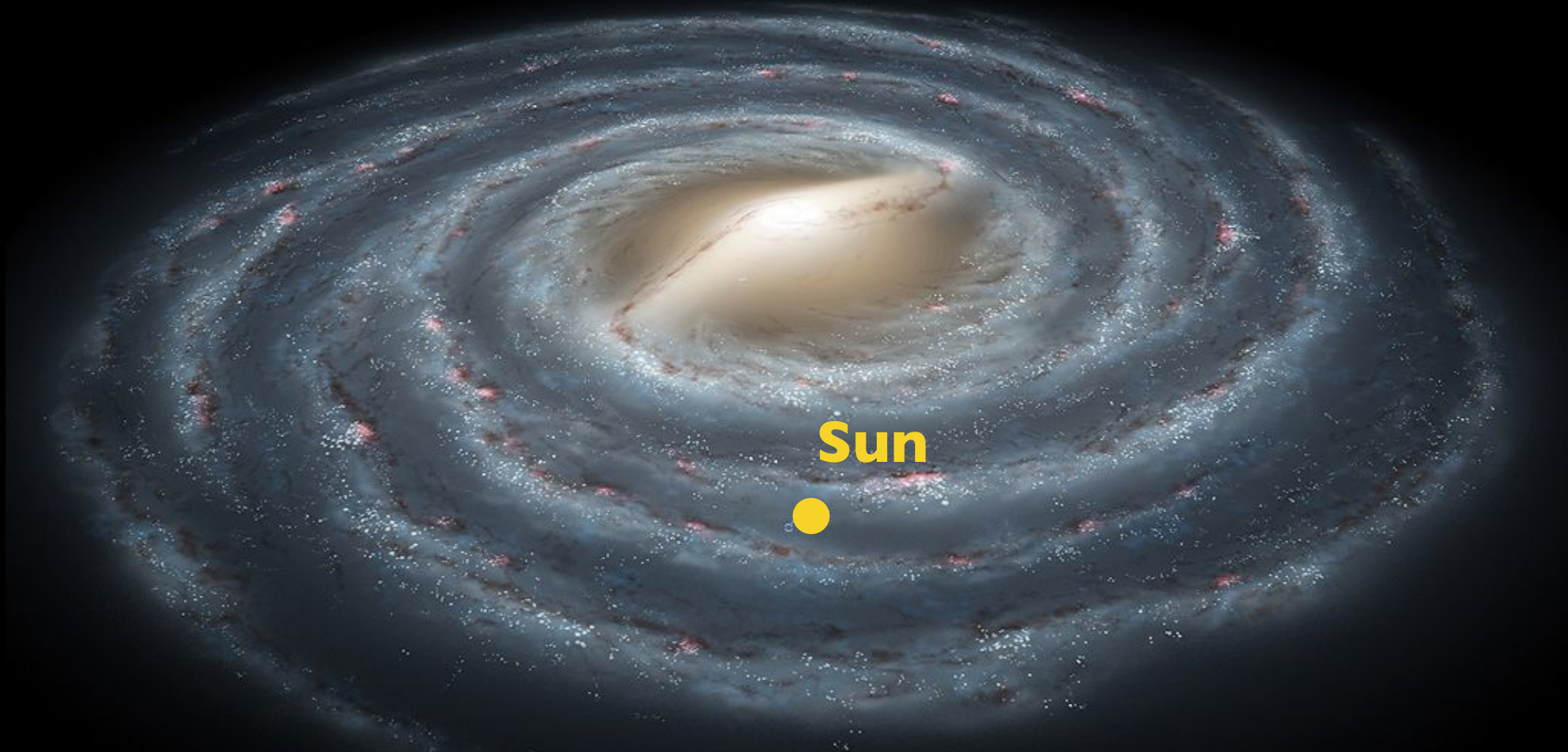
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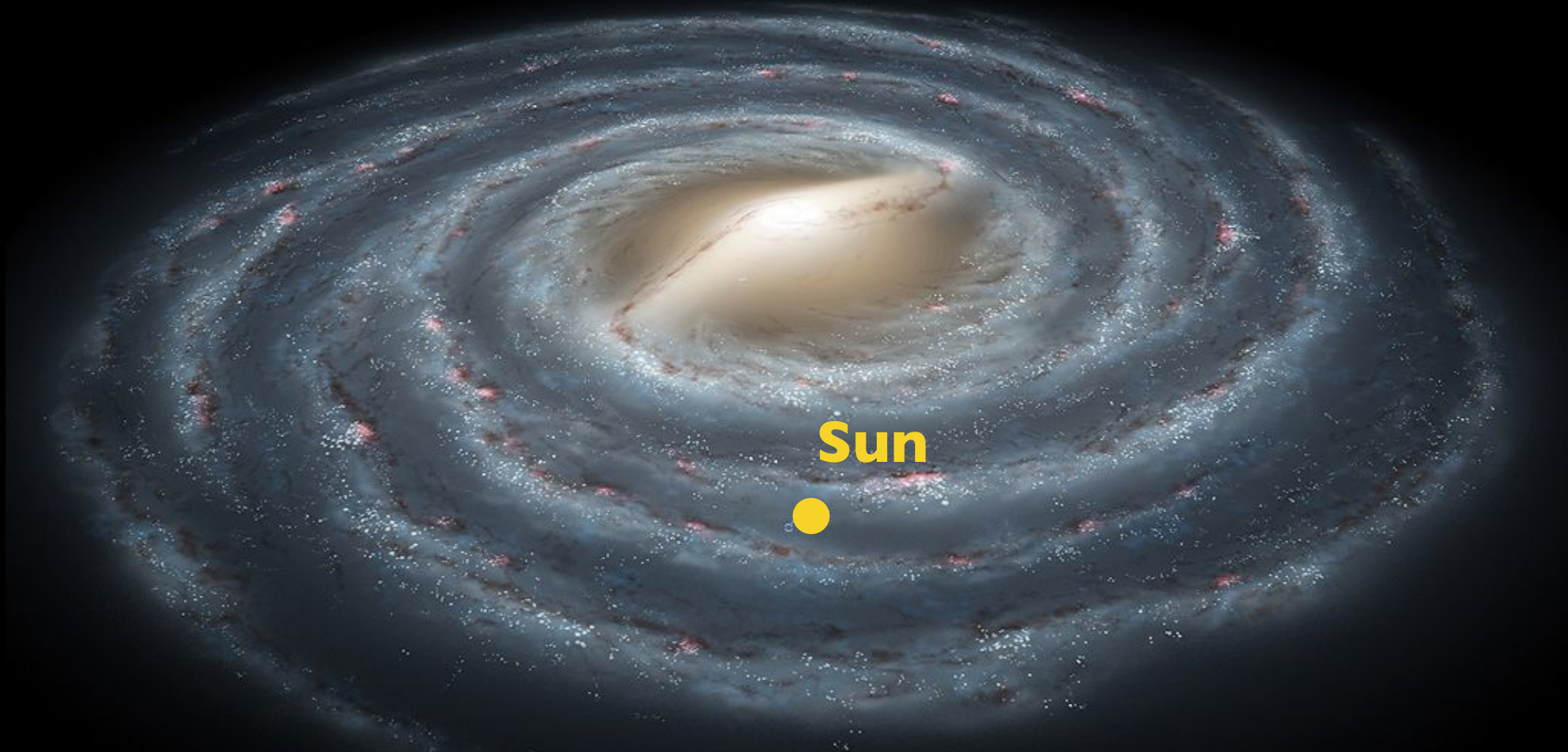
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Uncertainties in the local DM distribution ➡ **large uncertainties in the interpretation of direct detection data.**



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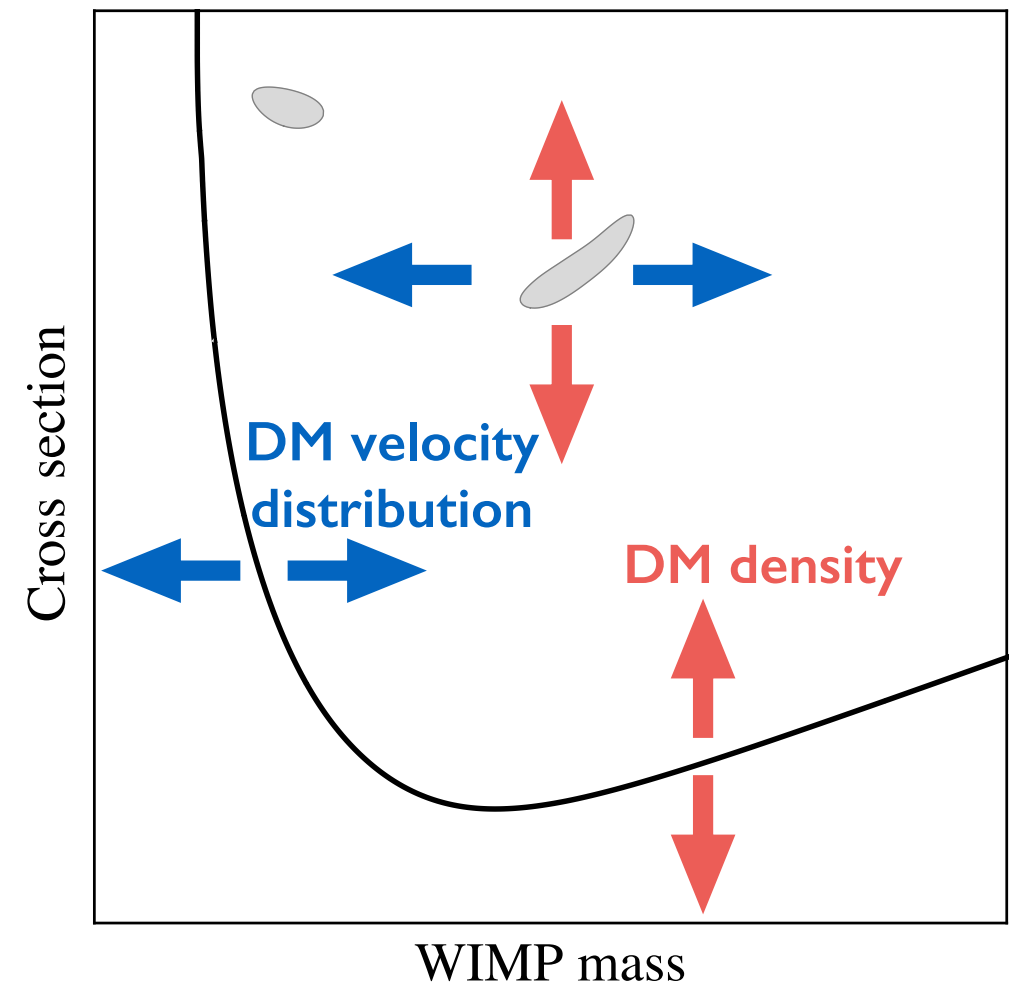
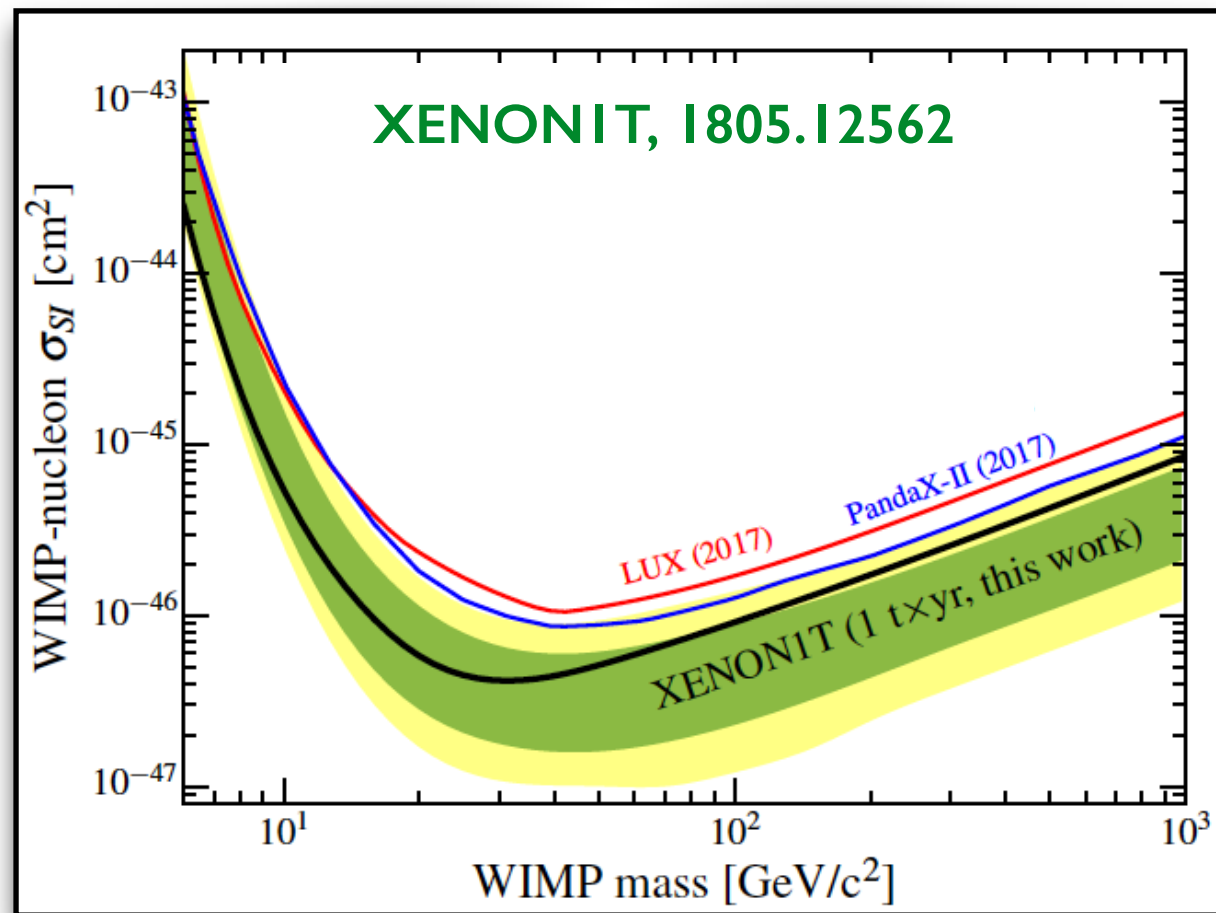
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- Astrophysical inputs:
  - local DM density:** *normalization in event rate.*
  - local DM velocity distribution:** *enters the event rate through an integration.*



# Astrophysical inputs



Assumption: **Standard Halo Model (SHM)**



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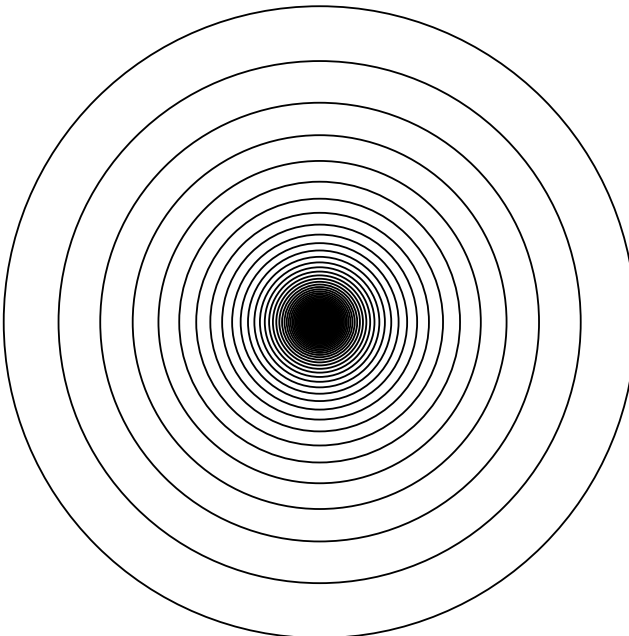
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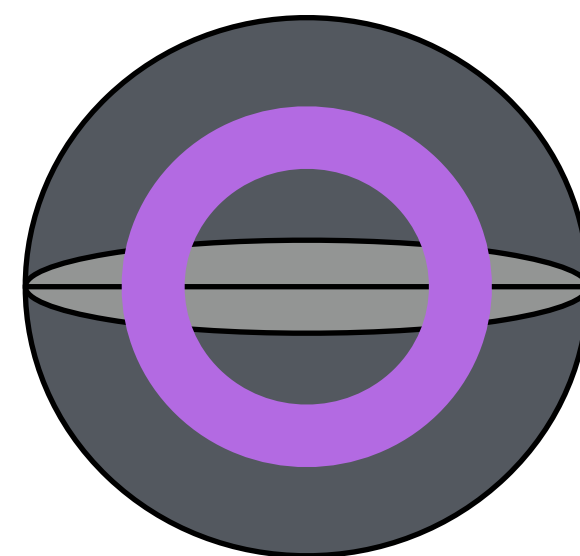
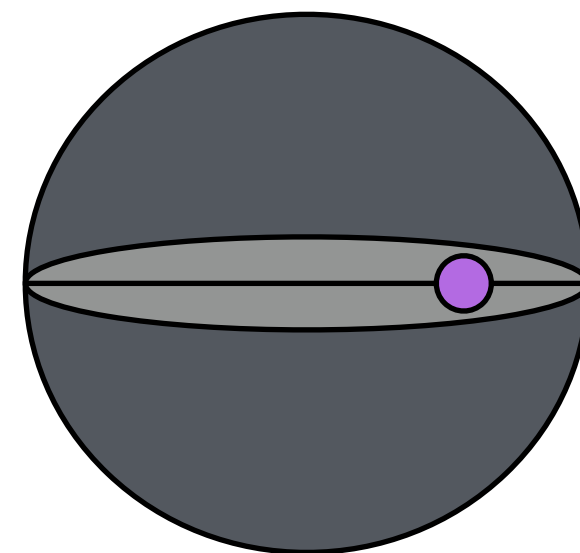
- Hydrostatic equilibrium: collisionless pressure balances gravitational potential
  - Density profile:  $\rho(r) \propto r^{-2}$
  - Local DM density:  $0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$
  - Typical DM speed: 220 km/s
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- A diagram illustrating the Standard Halo Model (SHM) as a spherical halo. It consists of a series of concentric circles centered on a point, representing the distribution of dark matter density. The circles are more densely packed towards the center, visually representing the
- $\rho(r) \propto r^{-2}$
- density profile. The outermost circle represents the edge of the visible galaxy, while the inner circles represent the dark matter halo extending beyond it.
- Actual DM distribution may *deviate substantially* from the SHM.



# Local Dark Matter density

## From observations:

- **Local estimates:** use kinematical data from a nearby population of stars.
  - Robust measurements, but need to account for the local contribution of baryons which has significant uncertainties. → *large error bars*
- **Global estimates:** based on mass modeling of the MW, and fits to kinematical data across the Galaxy.
  - Good precision ( $\sim 10\%$ ), but estimates are strongly model dependent. → *systematic uncertainties*



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- Some recent local estimates:

$$\rho_\chi = 0.46^{+0.07}_{-0.09} \text{ GeV/cm}^3 \quad \text{Sivertsson et al., 1708.07836, with SDSS}$$

$$\rho_\chi = 0.69 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV/cm}^3 \quad \text{Hagen \& Helmi, 1802.09291, with TGAS \& Rave}$$

$$\rho_\chi = 0.874 \pm 0.380 \text{ GeV/cm}^3 \quad \text{Buch, Leung, Fan, 1808.05603, with Gaia DR2}$$

- Estimates affected by systematic uncertainties.

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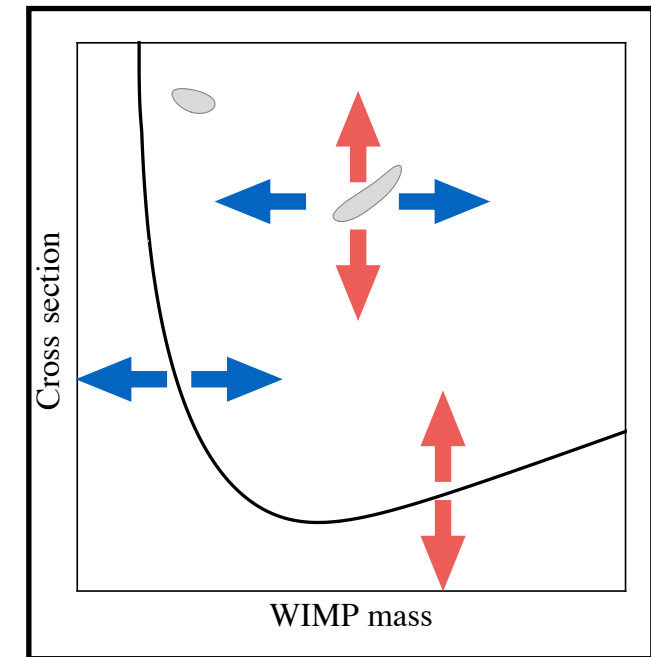
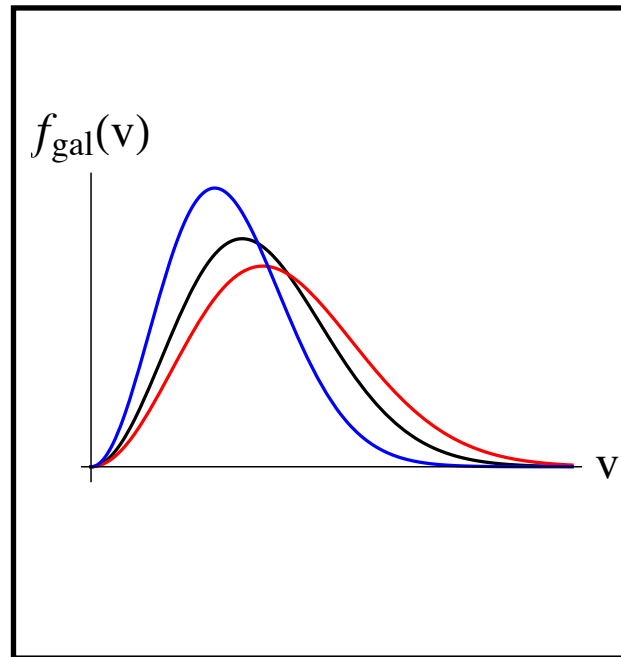
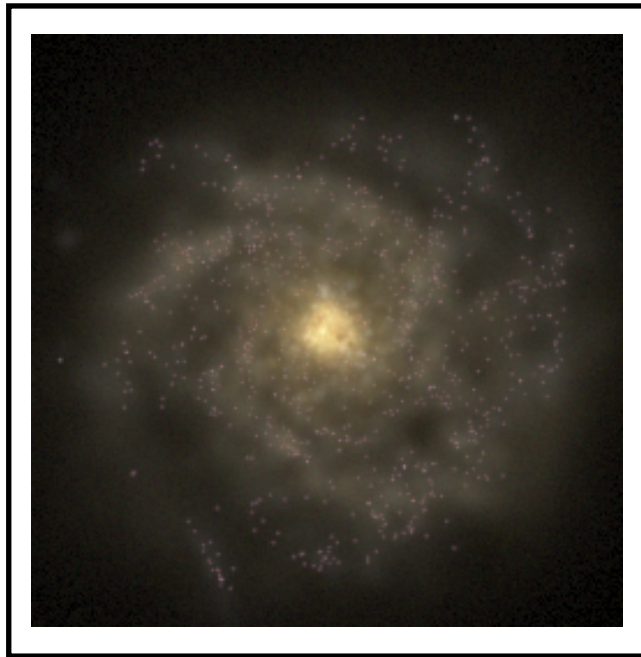
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Find a population of stars which trace the DM velocity distribution in *multiple simulations*. → Use *observations* of those stars to infer the DM velocity distribution.

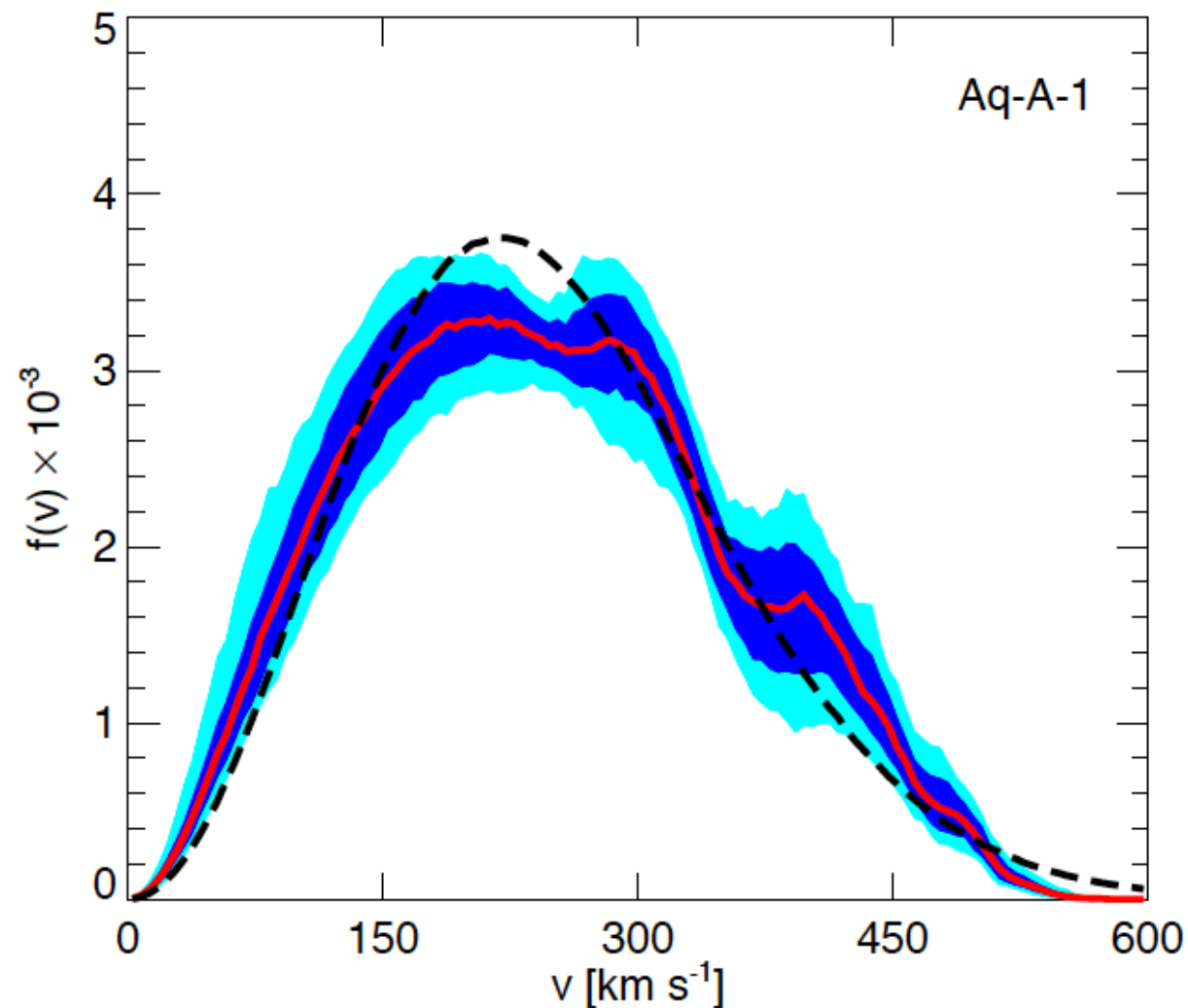
Herzog-Arbeitman et al., 1704.04499, 1708.03635, Necib, Lisanti, Belokurov, 1807.02519



# Dark Matter velocity distribution from simulations

# Dark Matter only simulations

- DM speed distributions from cosmological N-body simulations **without baryons**, deviate substantially from a Maxwellian.



$$f(|\mathbf{v}|) = v^2 \int d\Omega_{\mathbf{v}} f(\mathbf{v})$$

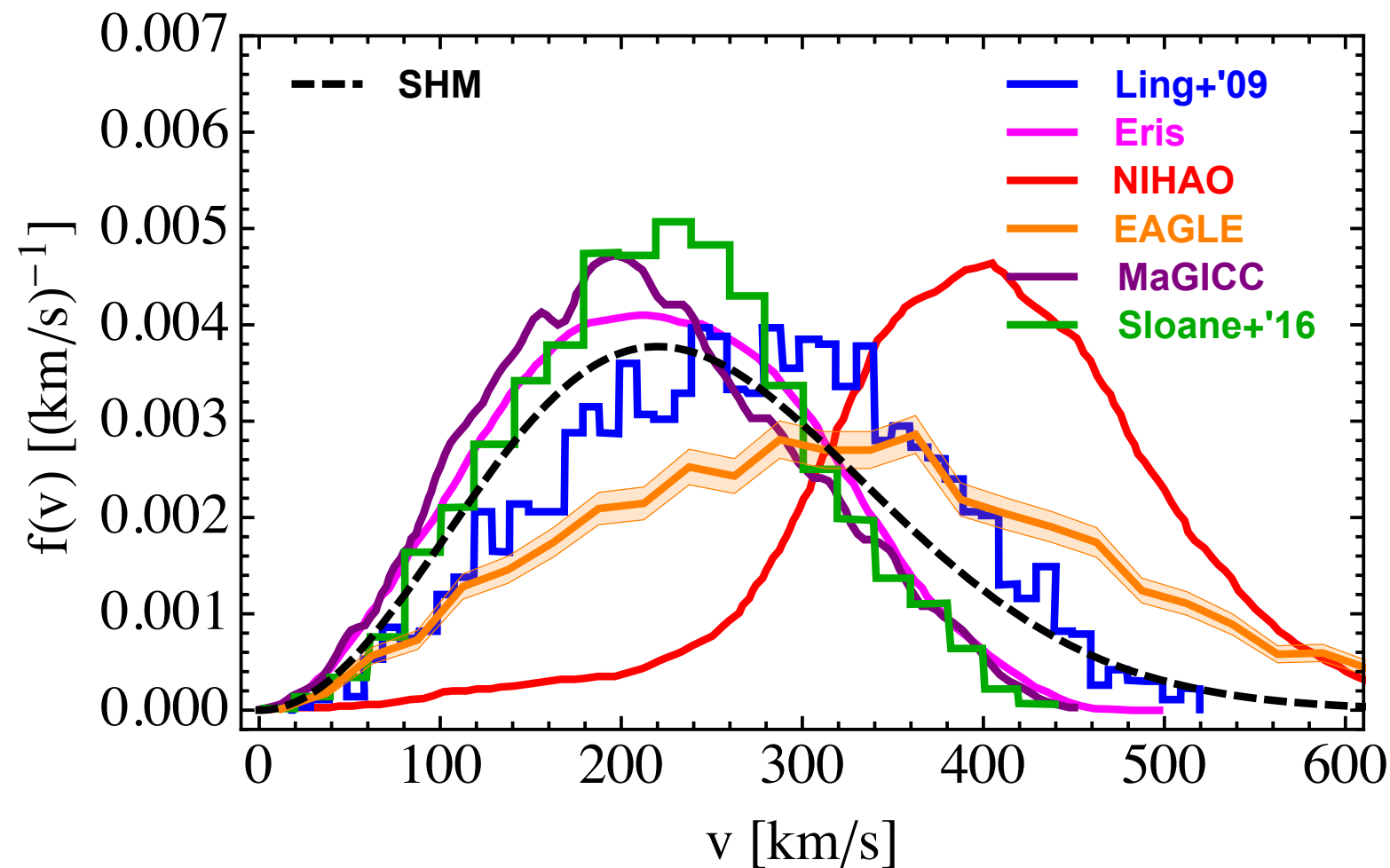
Vogelsberger et al., 0812.0362

- Significant systematic uncertainty since the impact of baryons neglected.*



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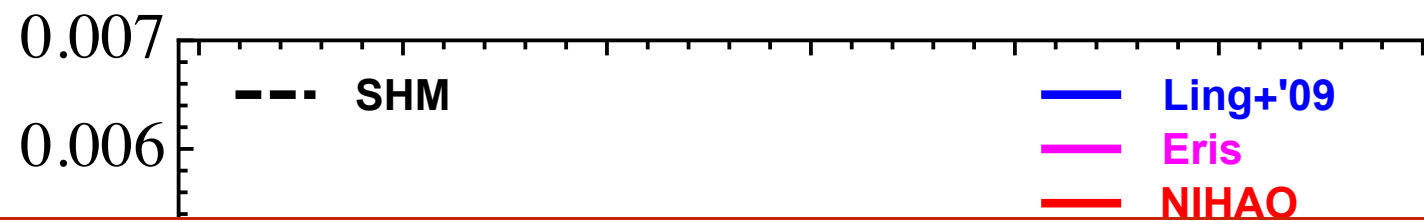


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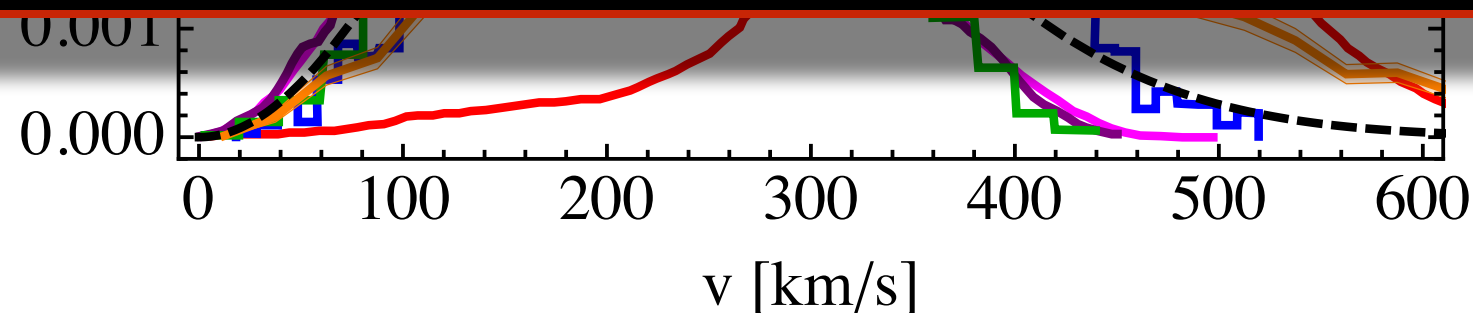
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- To make precise quantitative predictions:
  - Model baryonic processes in a way that the main galaxy population properties are broadly reproduced.
  - Identify MW-like galaxies by taking into account *observational constraints on the MW*.



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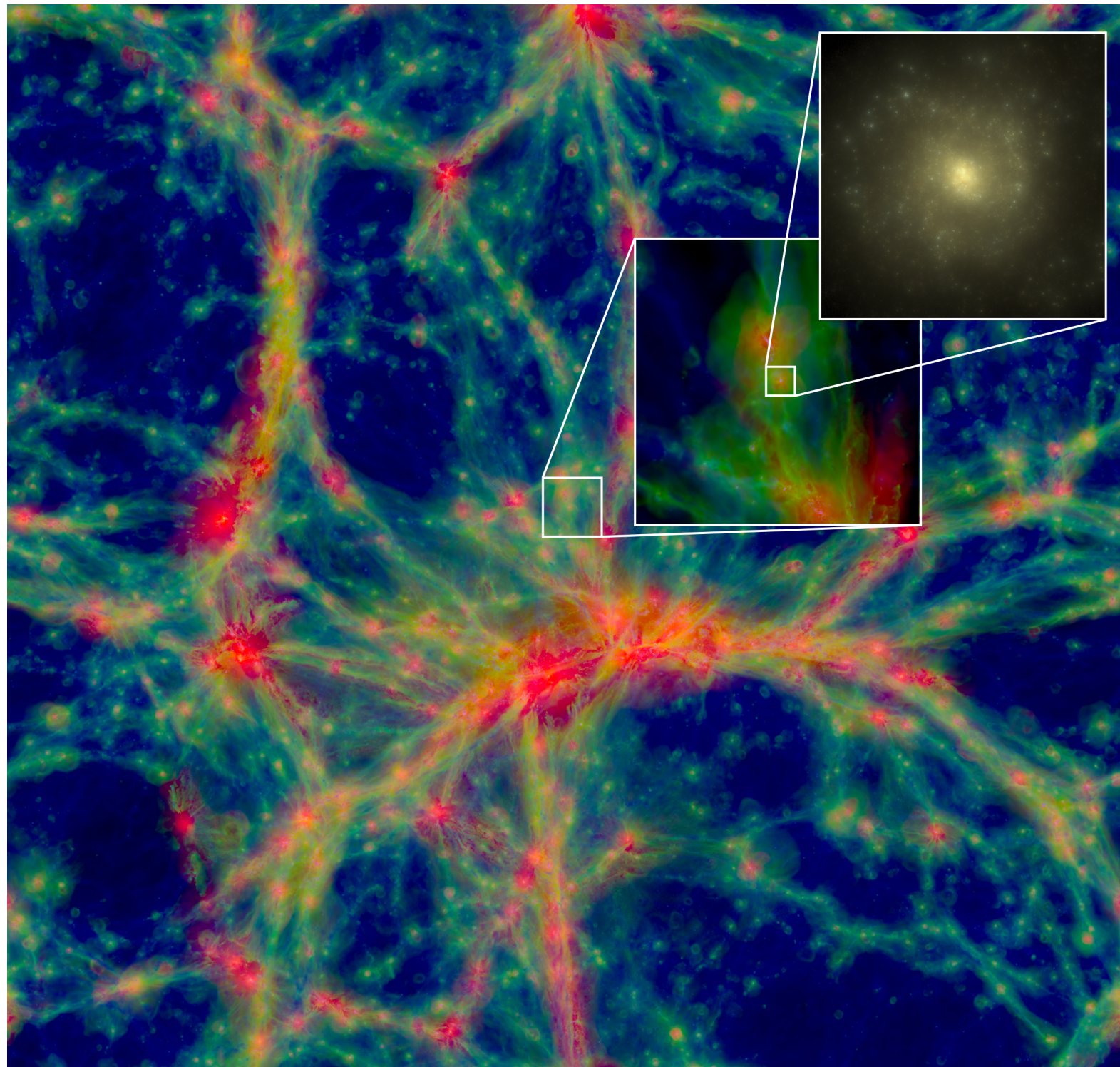
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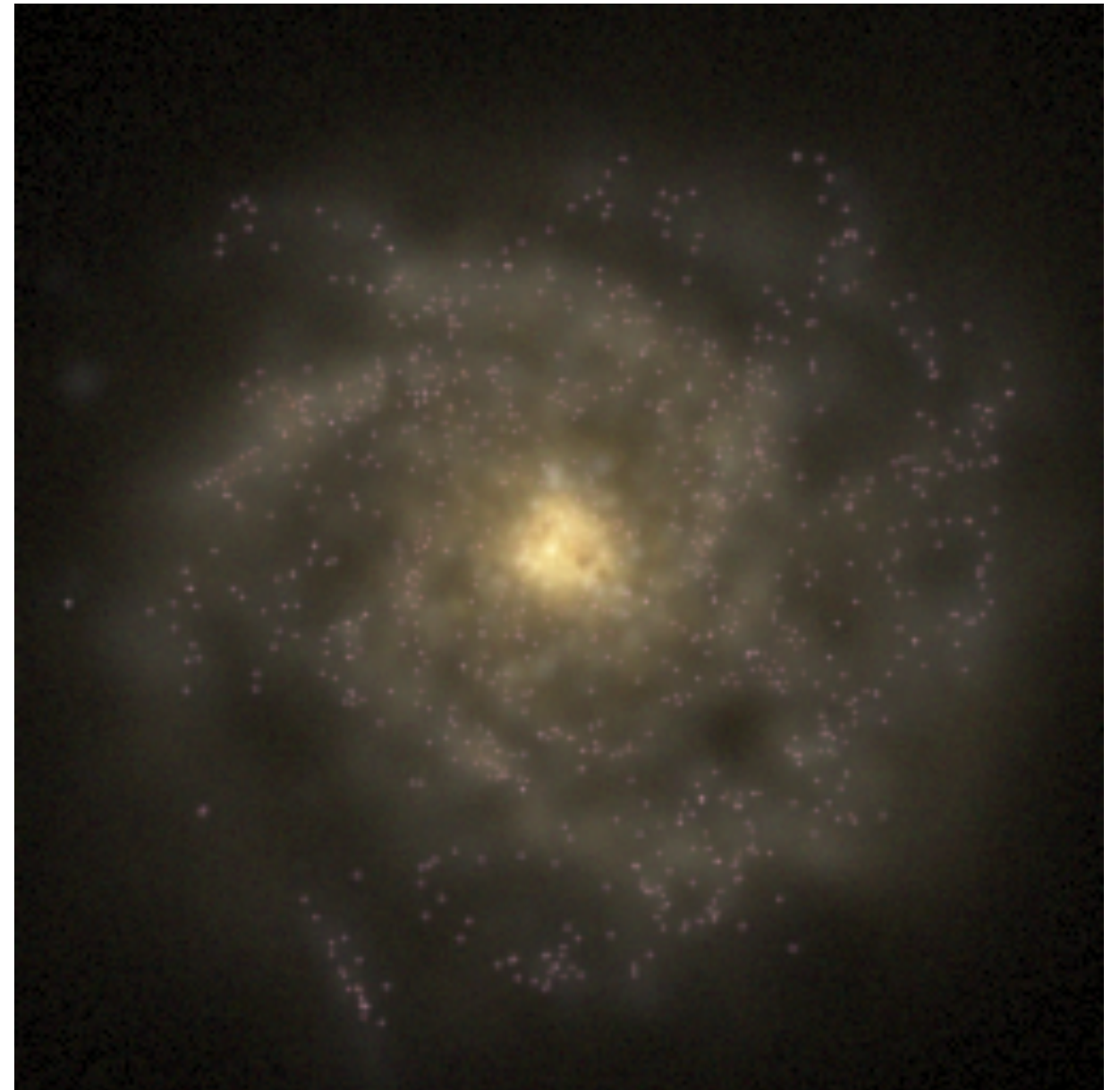
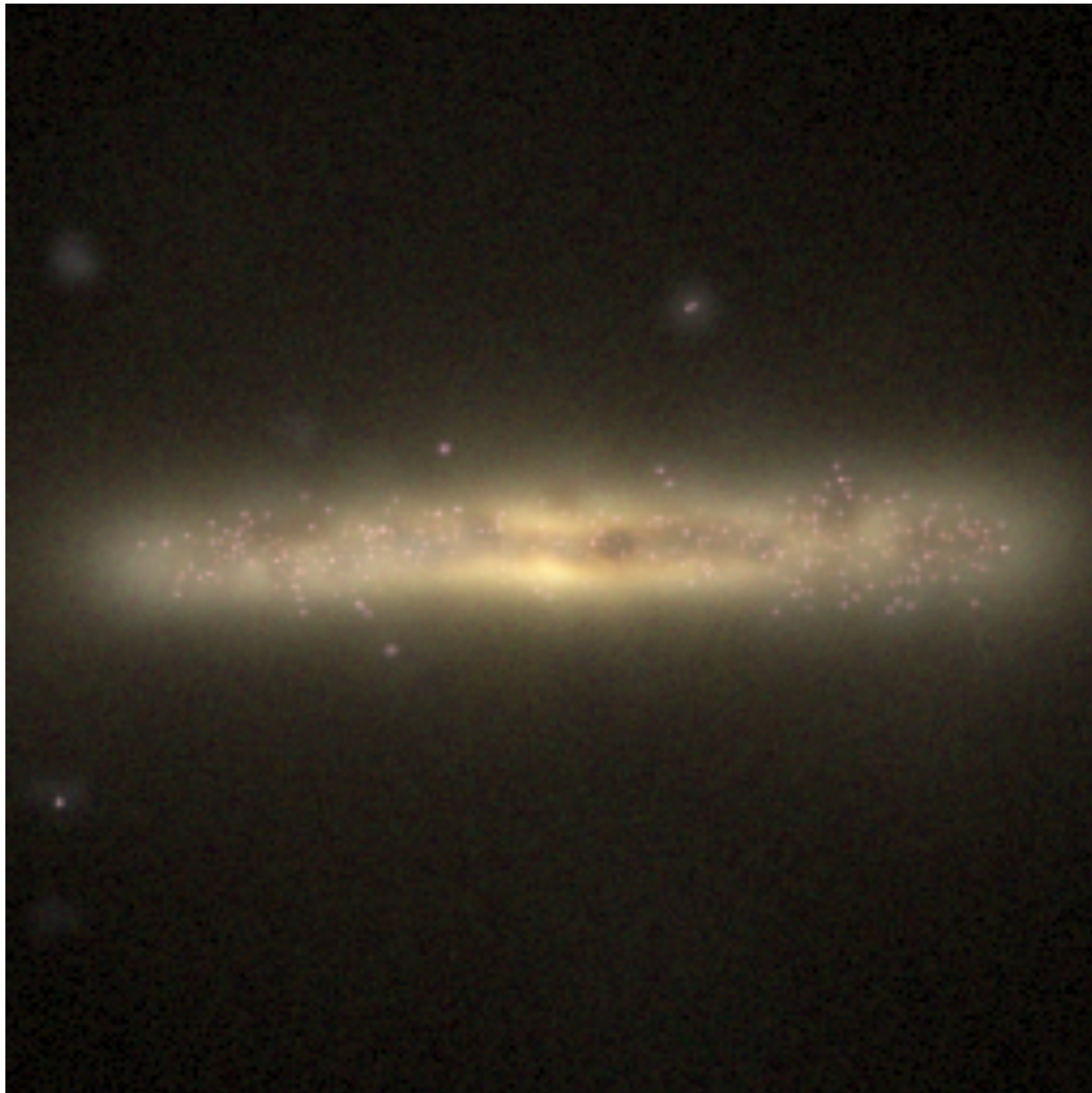
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**EAGLE Simulations, I407.7040**

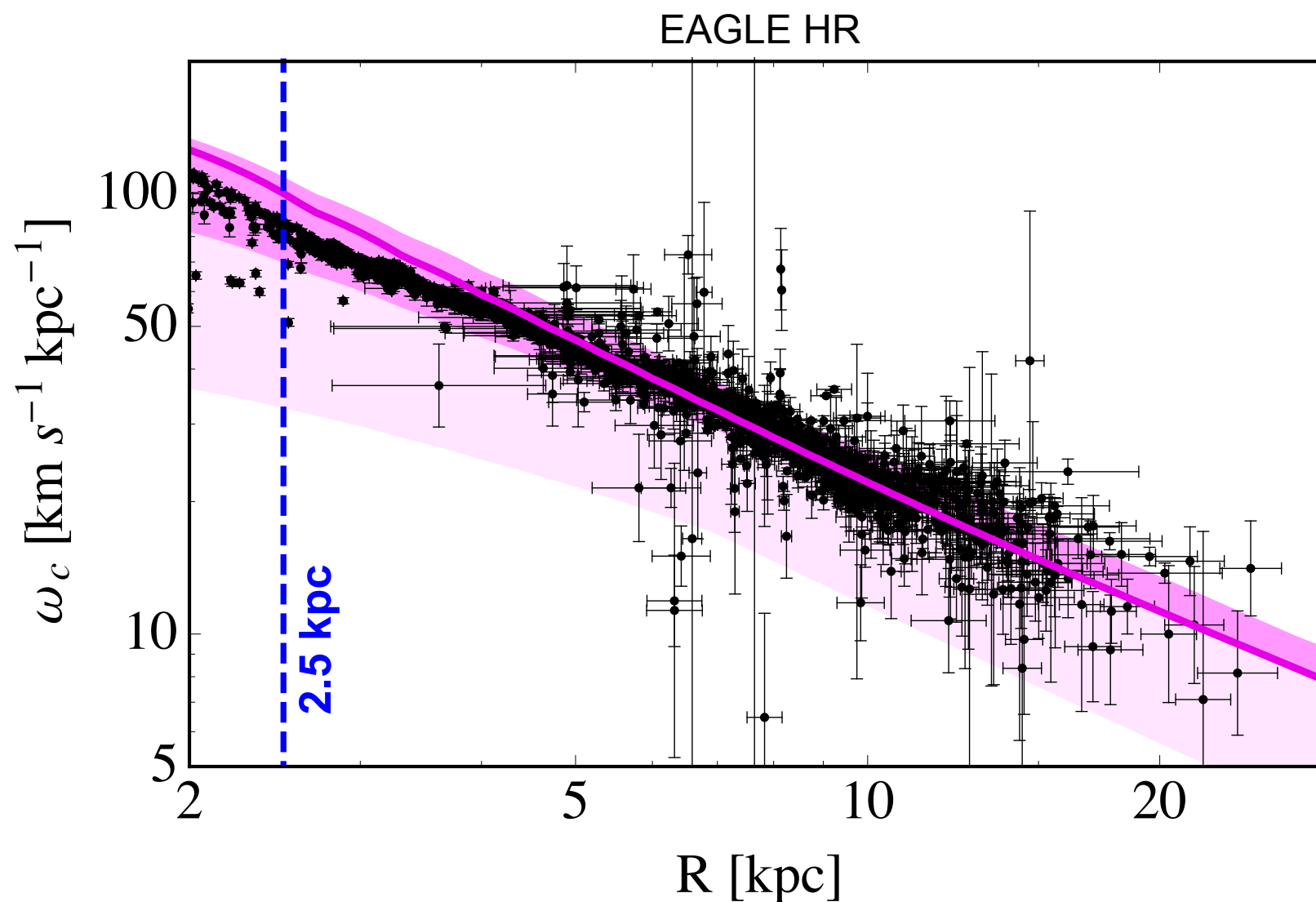


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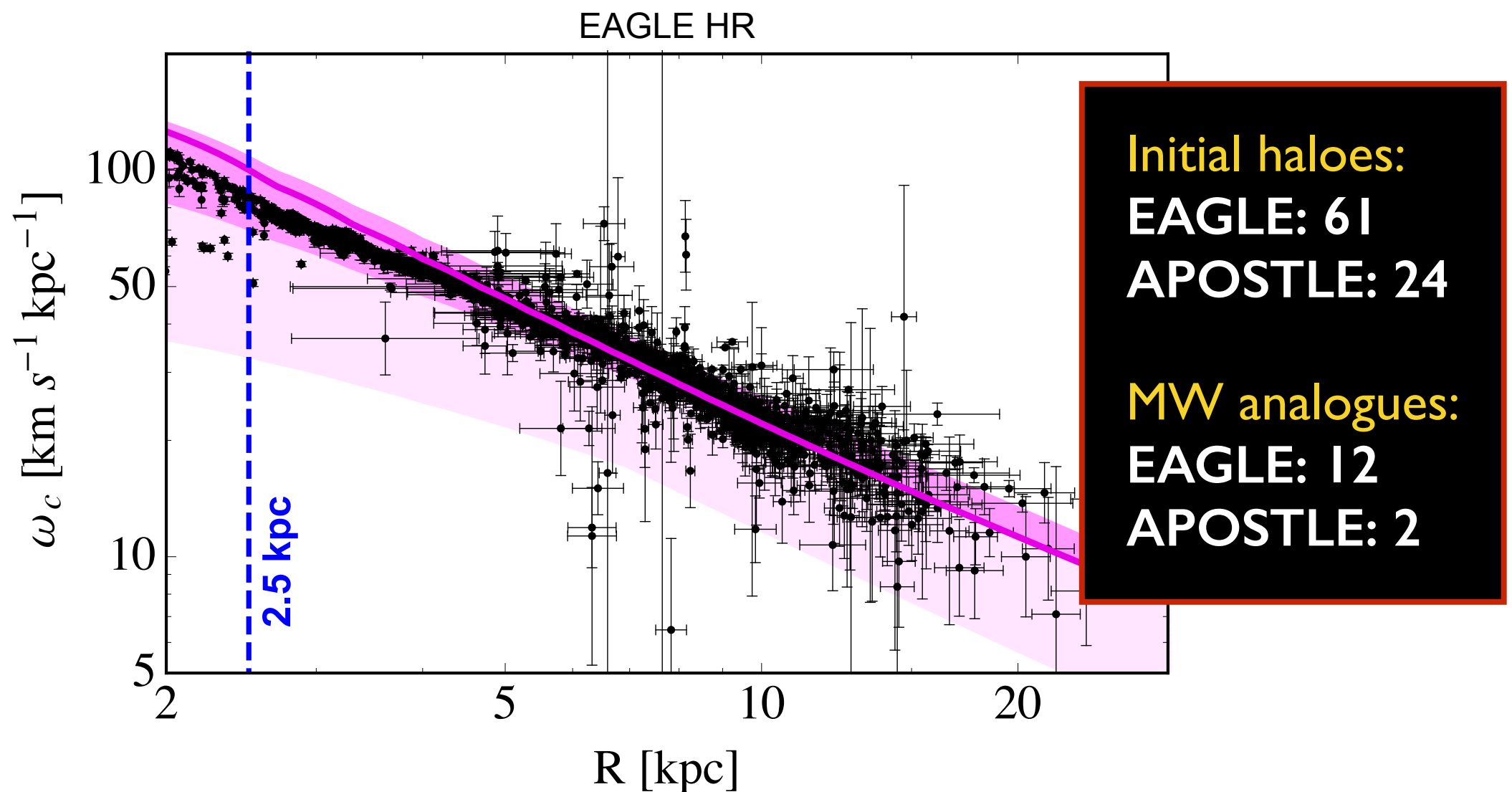
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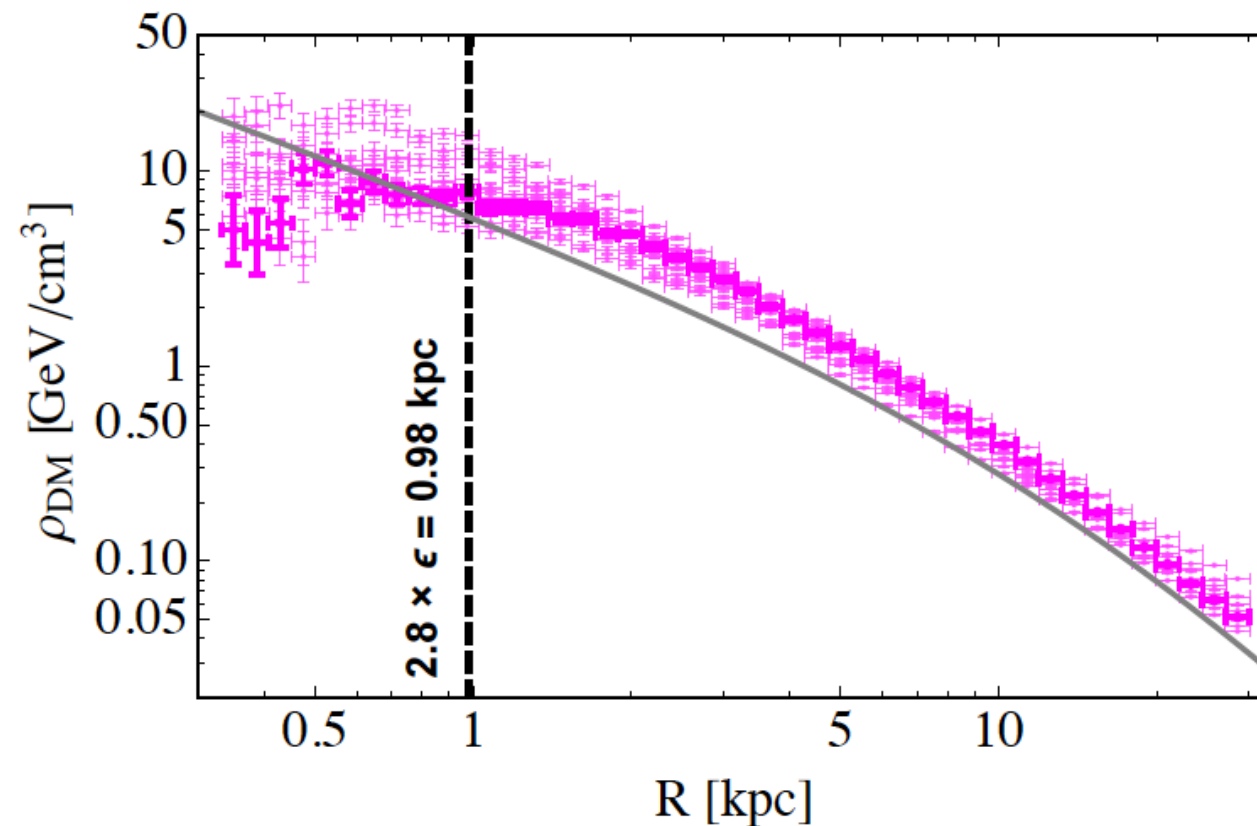
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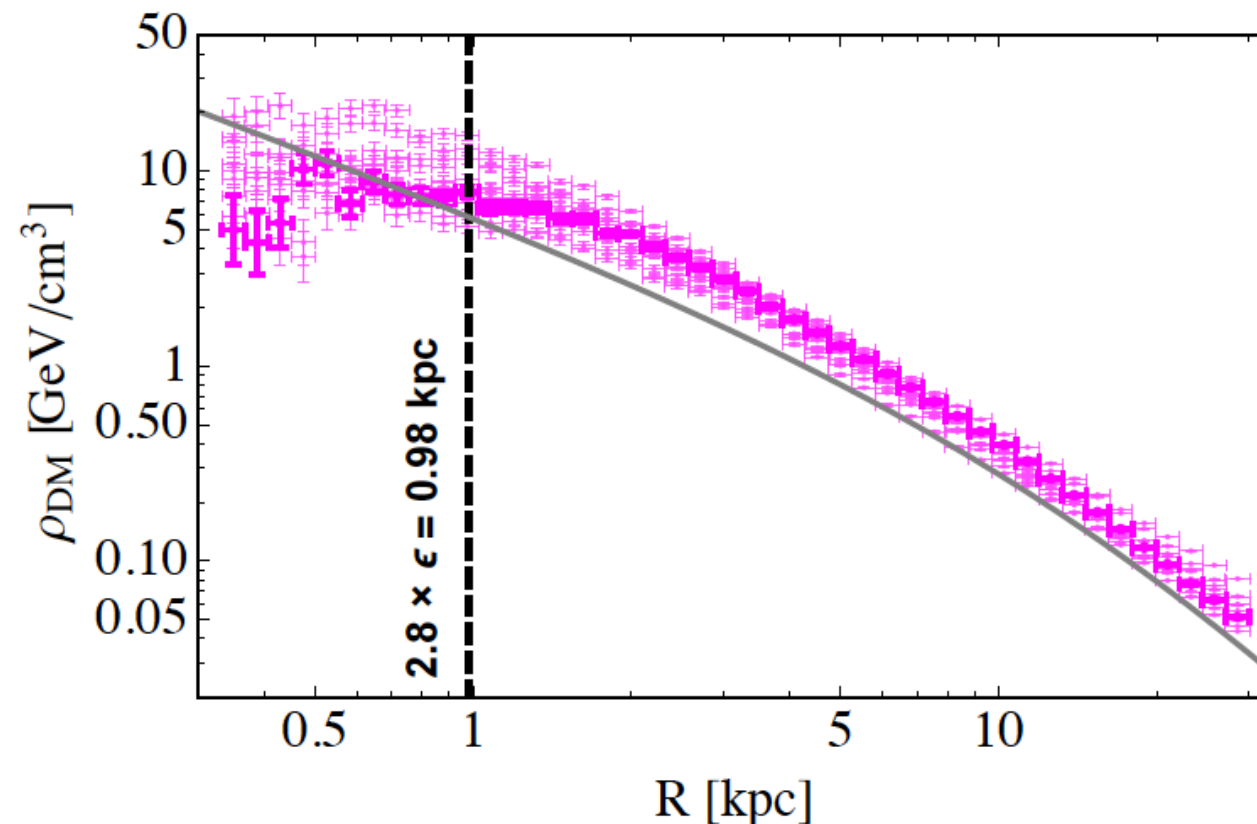
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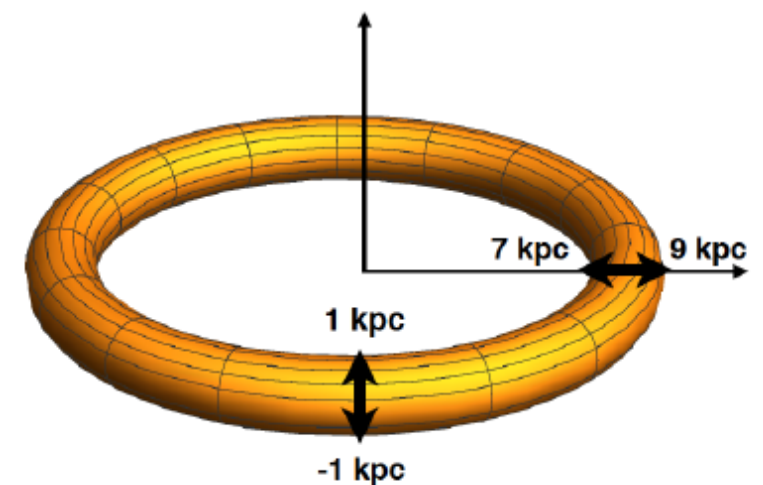
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- To find the DM density at the position of the Sun, consider a torus aligned with the stellar disc.

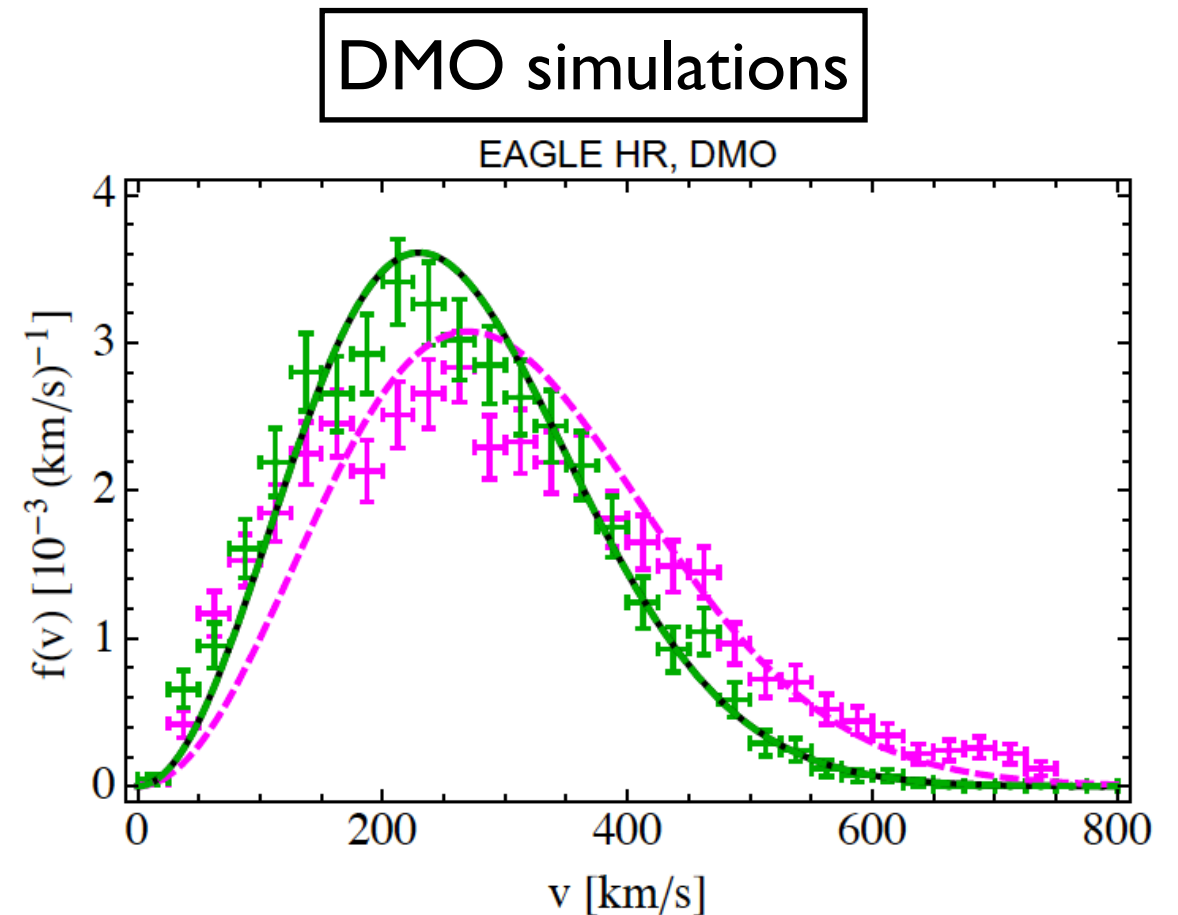
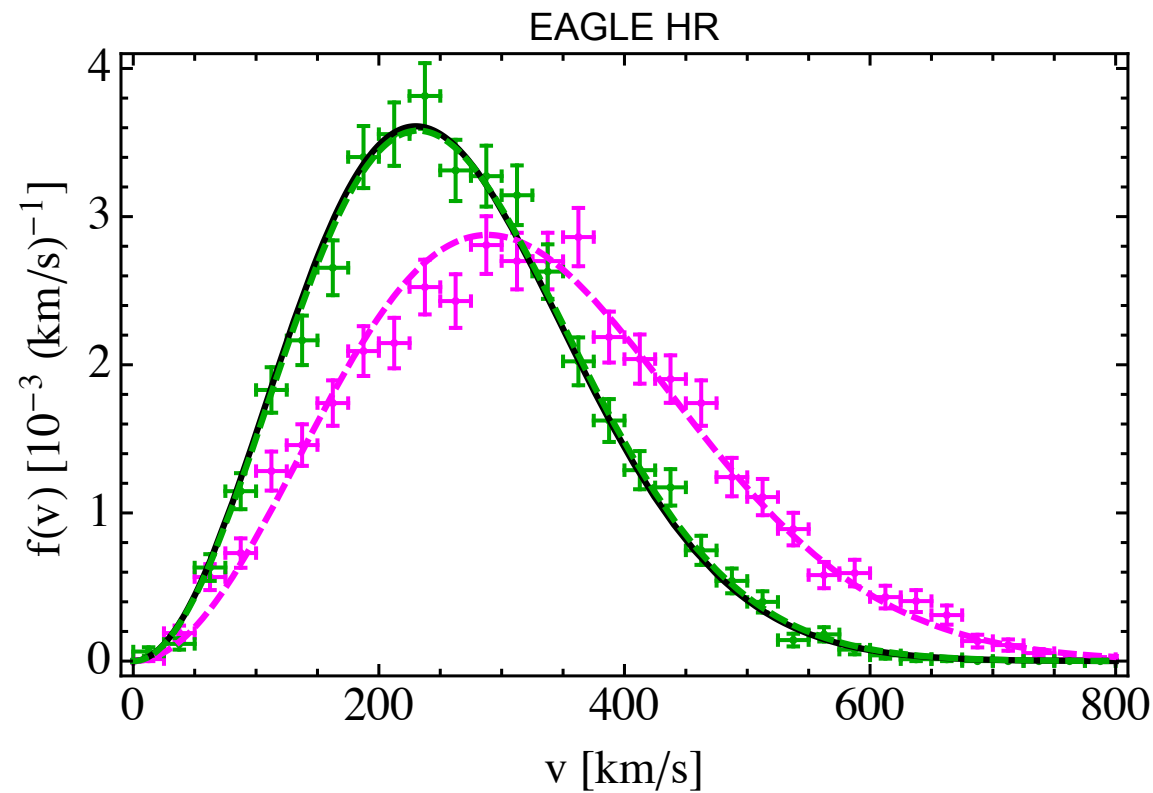
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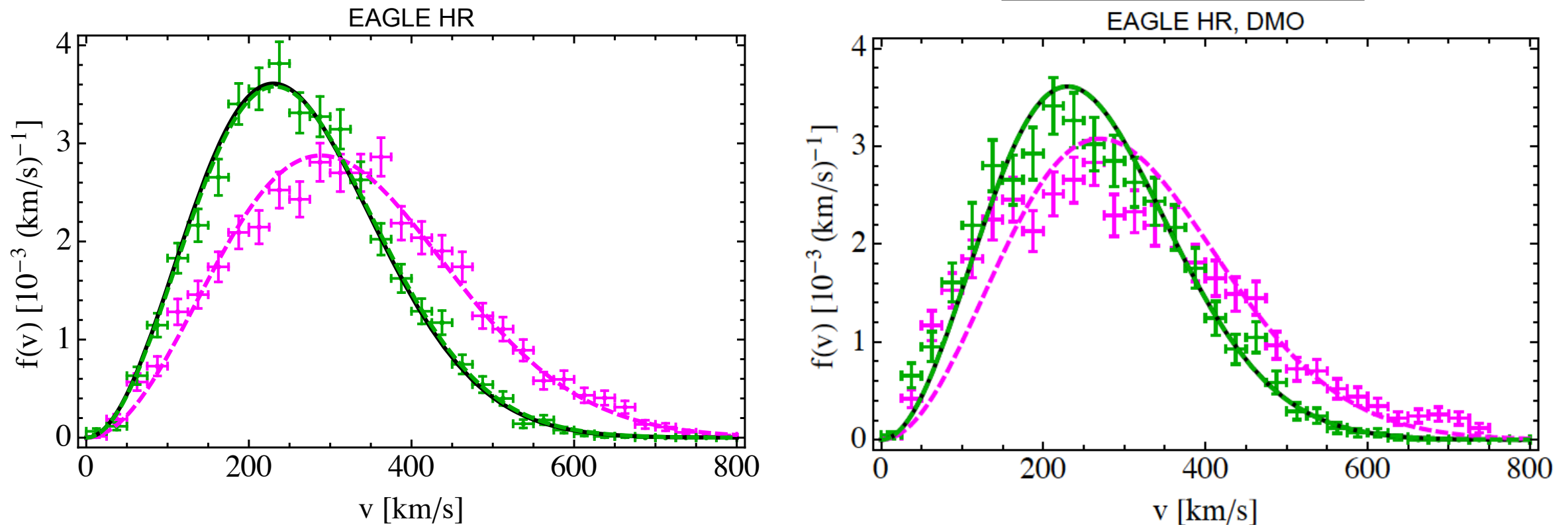
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- Maxwellian distribution with a free peak provides a better fit to haloes in the hydrodynamical simulations compared to their DMO counterparts.
- Best fit peak speed:  $v_{\text{peak}} = 223 - 289 \text{ km/s}$

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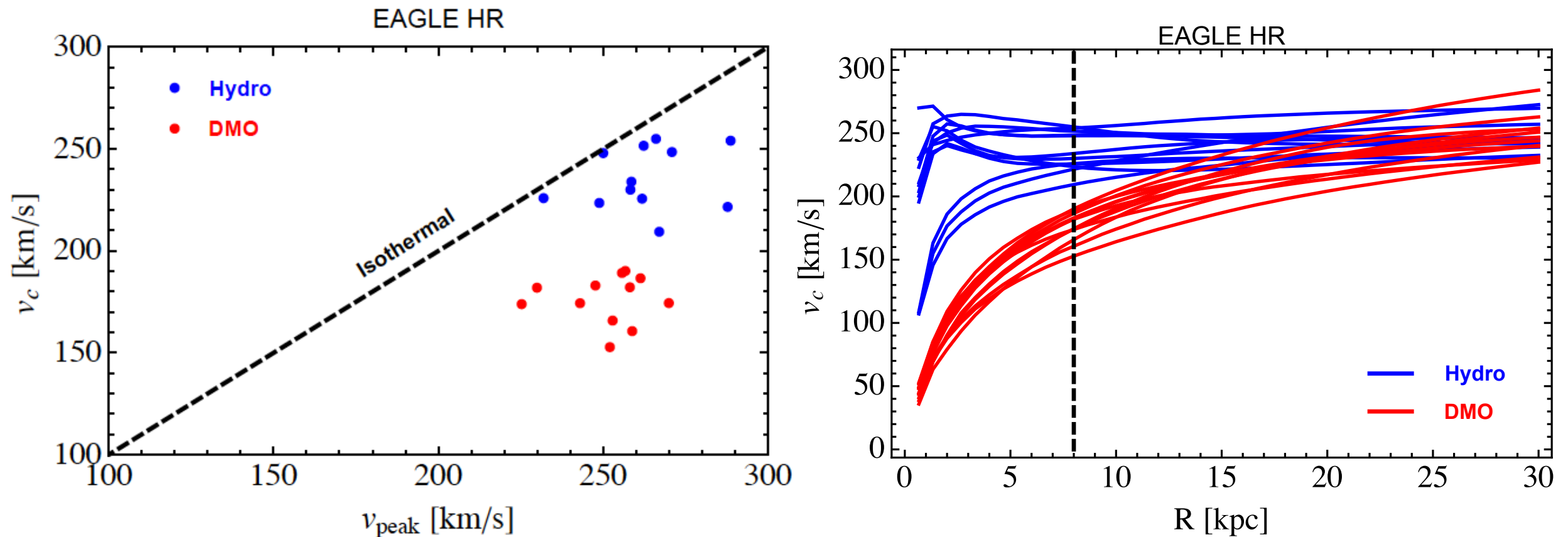
## Common trends in different hydrodynamical simulations:

- Baryons deepen the gravitational potential in the inner halo, shifting the peak of the DM speed distribution to *higher speeds*.
- In most cases, baryons appear to make the local DM speed distribution *more Maxwellian*.

Bozorgnia & Bertone, 1705.05853



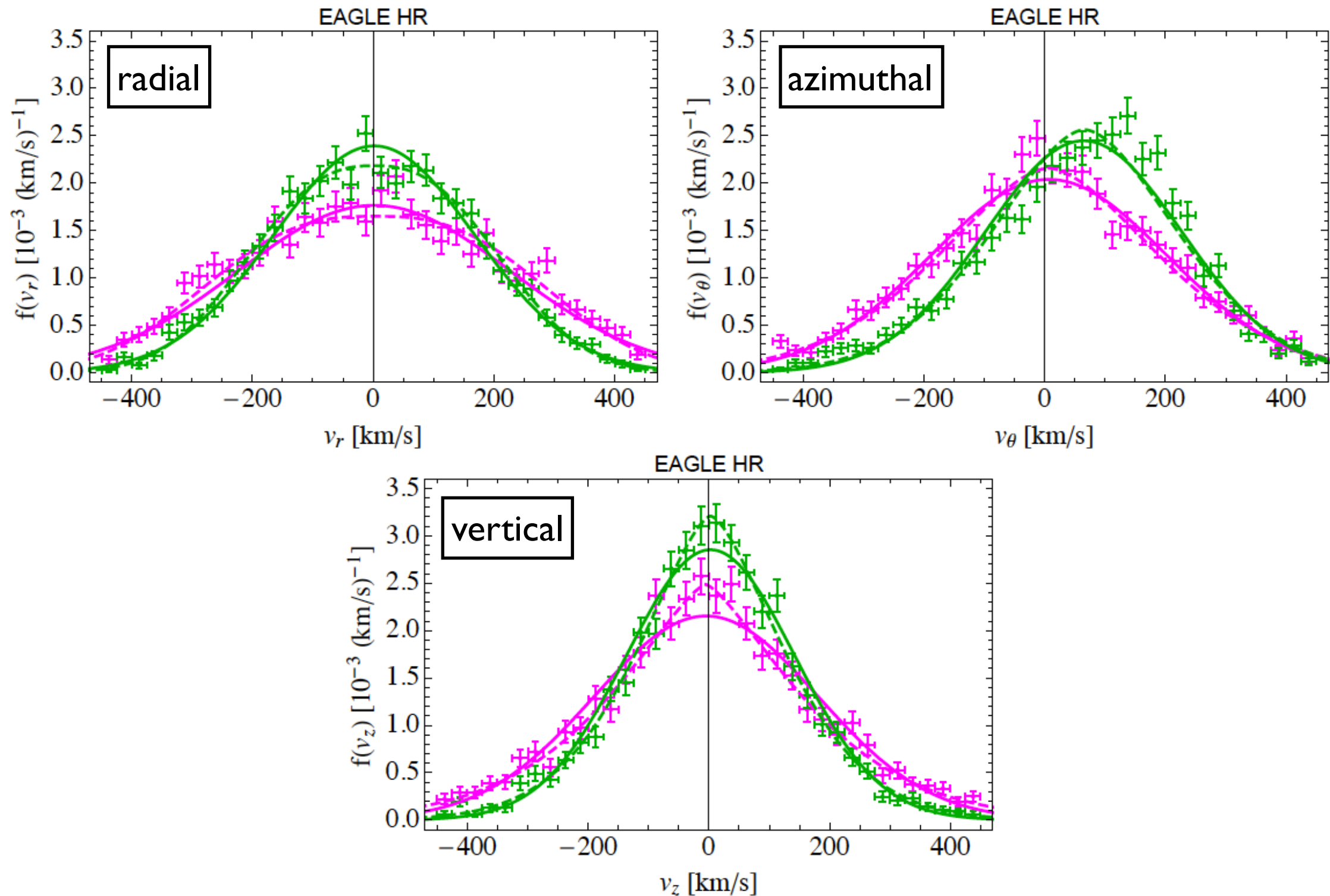
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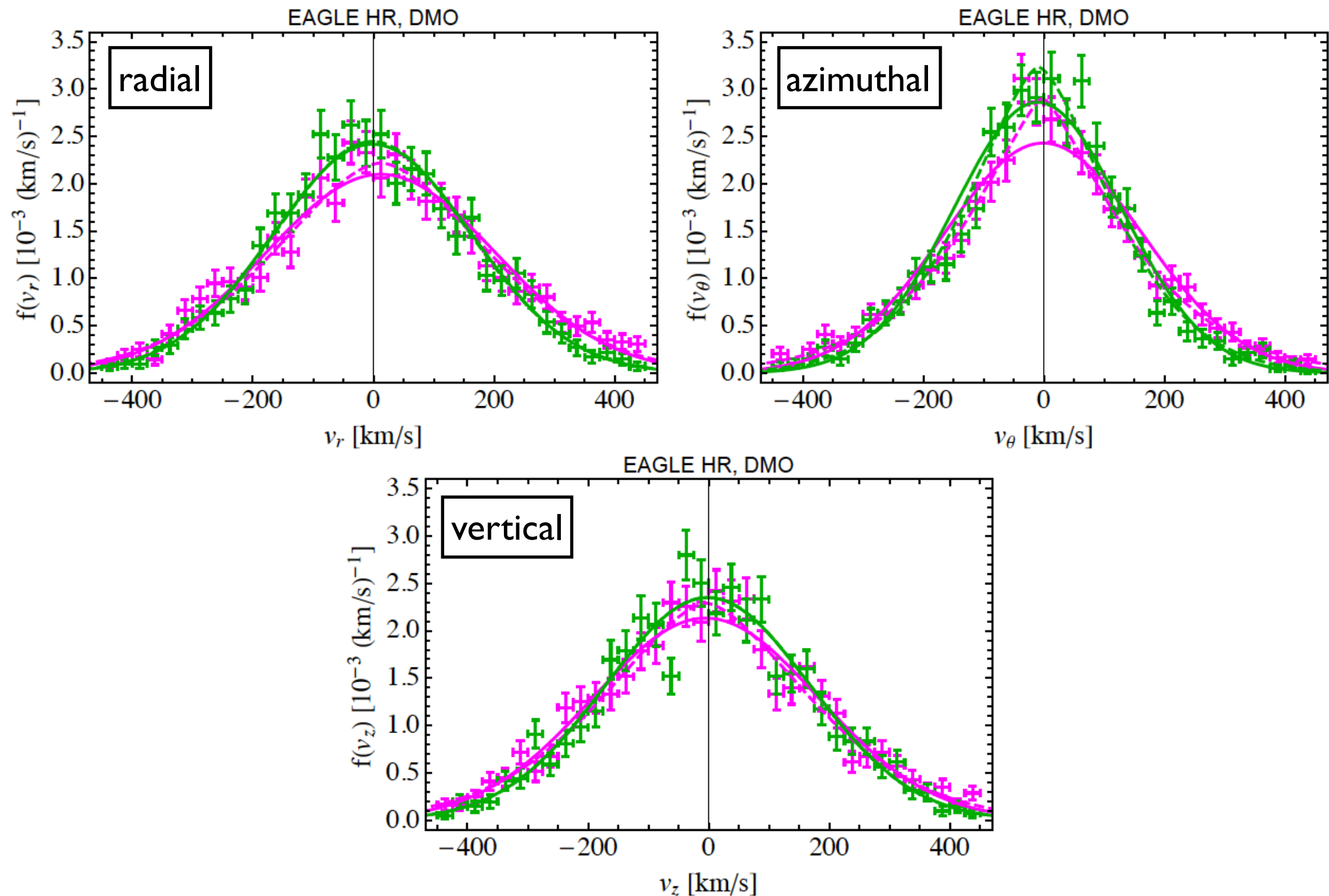
- At the Solar circle, haloes in the hydrodynamical simulation are closer to isothermal than their DMO counterparts.

# Components of the velocity distribution



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# Comparison with DMO



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- *Sizable dark disks also rare in other hydro simulations:*
  - They only appear in simulations where a large satellite merged with the MW in the recent past, which is robustly excluded from MW kinematical data.

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# Direct detection event rate

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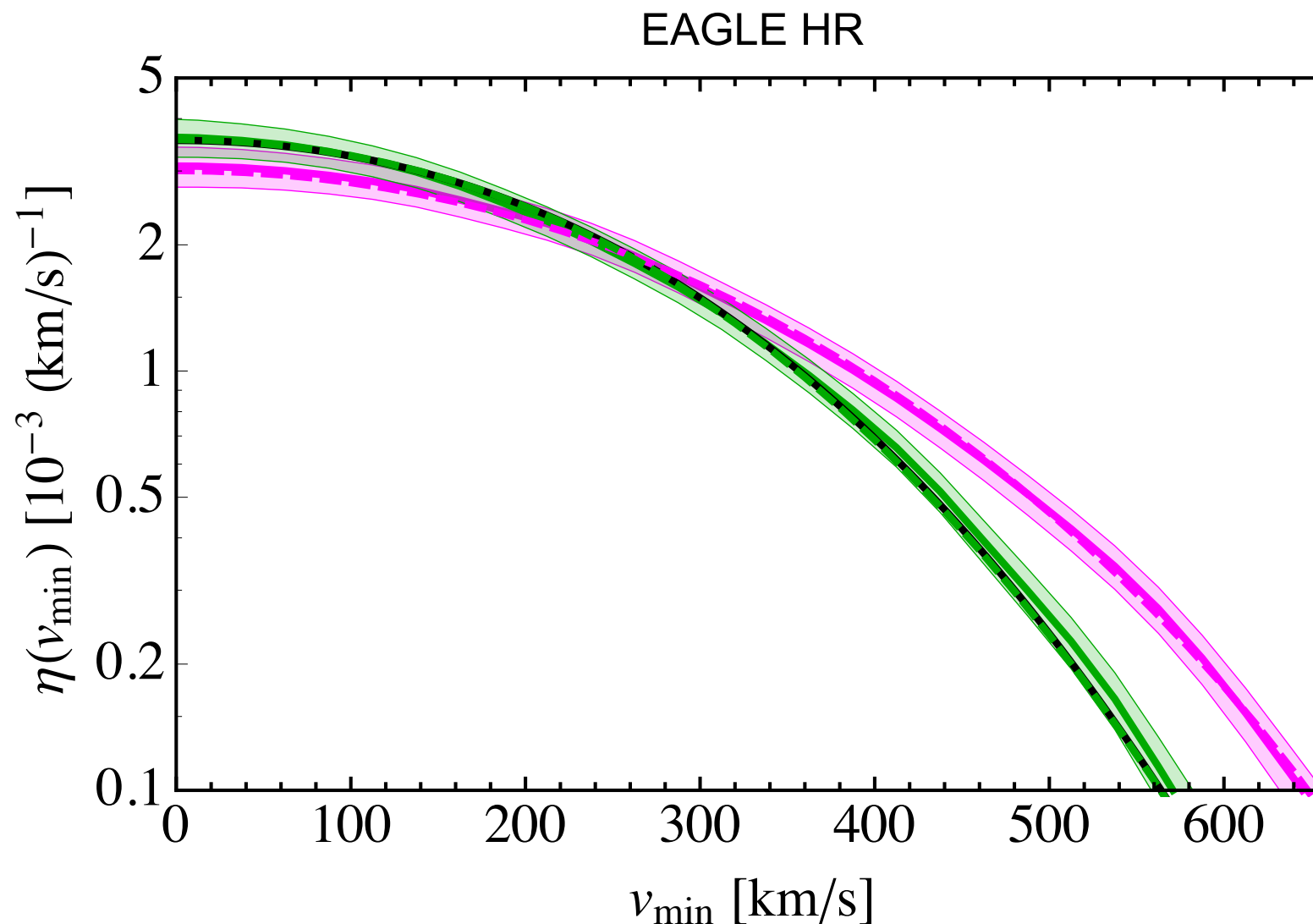
where

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Halo integral



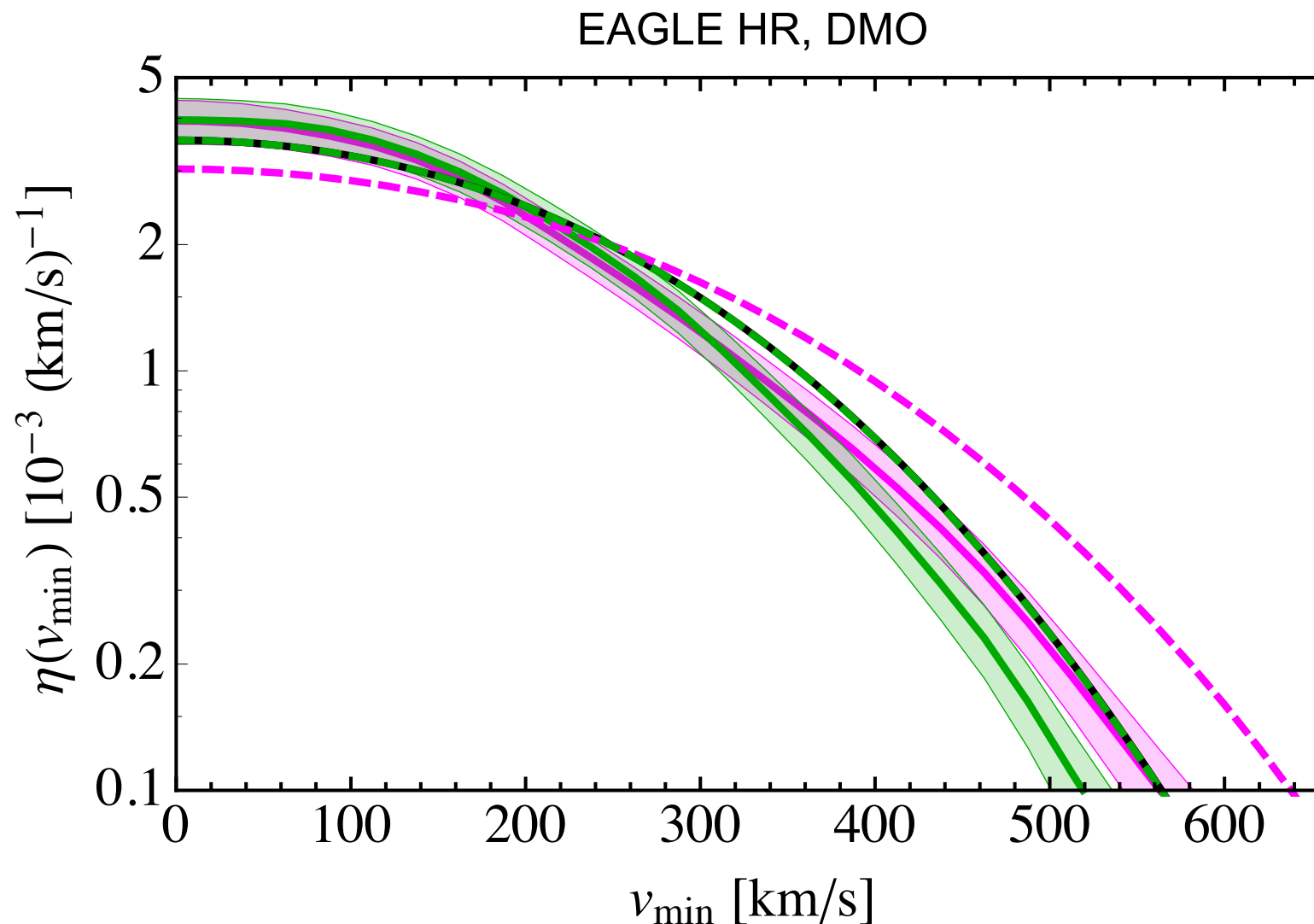
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- Halo integrals for the best fit Maxwellian velocity distribution (*peak speed 223 - 289 km/s*) fall within the  $1\sigma$  uncertainty band of the halo integrals of the simulated haloes.

Bozorgnia et al., 1601.04707

# The halo integral



- Baryons affect the velocity distribution strongly at the Solar position, resulting in a shift of the tails of the halo integrals to higher velocities with respect to DMO.

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- Halo integrals and hence direct detection event rates obtained from a **Maxwellian velocity distribution with a free peak** are similar to those obtained directly from the simulated haloes.

Bozorgnia et al., [1601.04707](#) (EAGLE & APOSTLE)

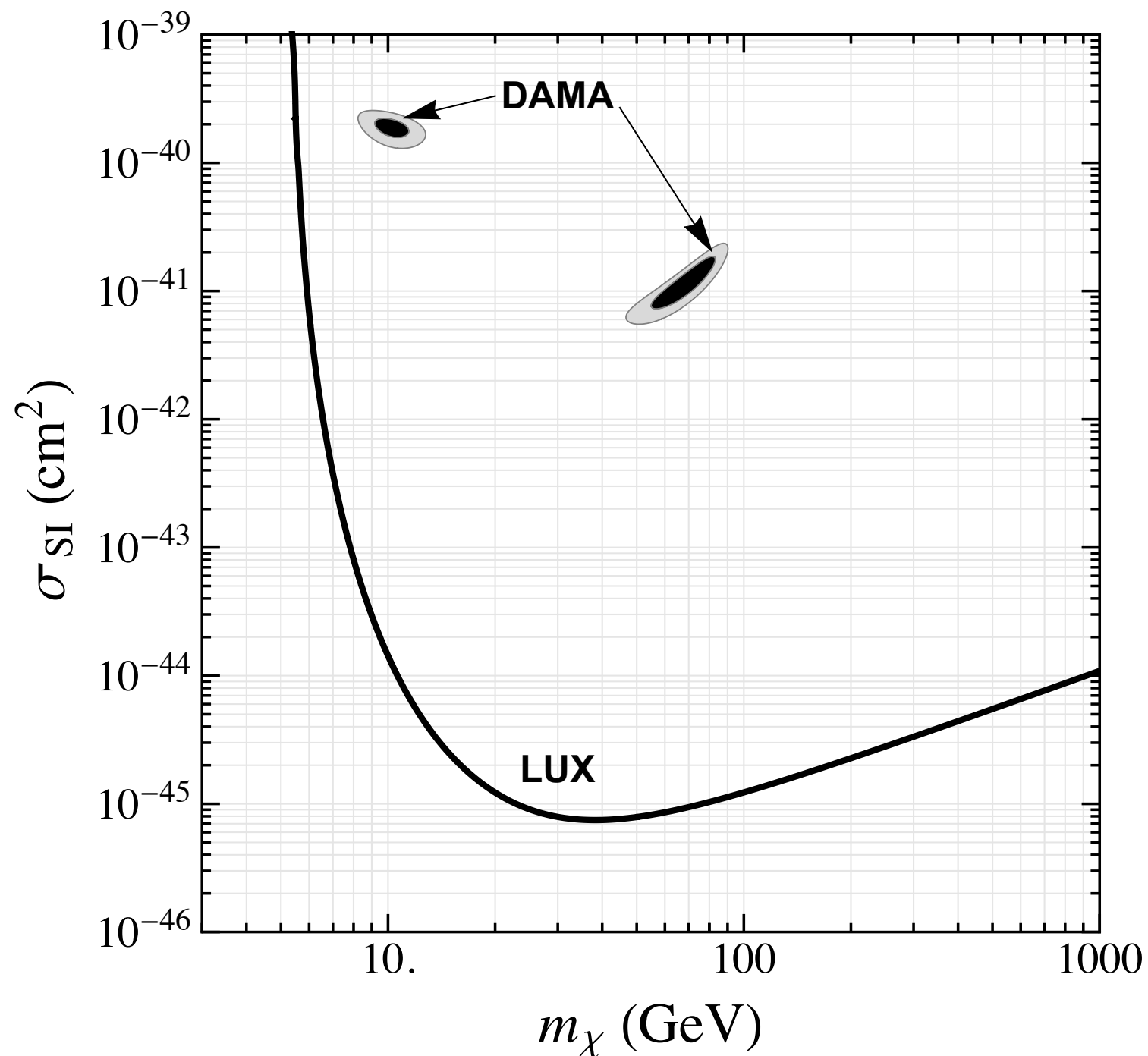
Kelso et al., [1601.04725](#) (MaGICC)

Sloane et al., [1601.05402](#)

Bozorgnia & Bertone, [1705.05853](#)

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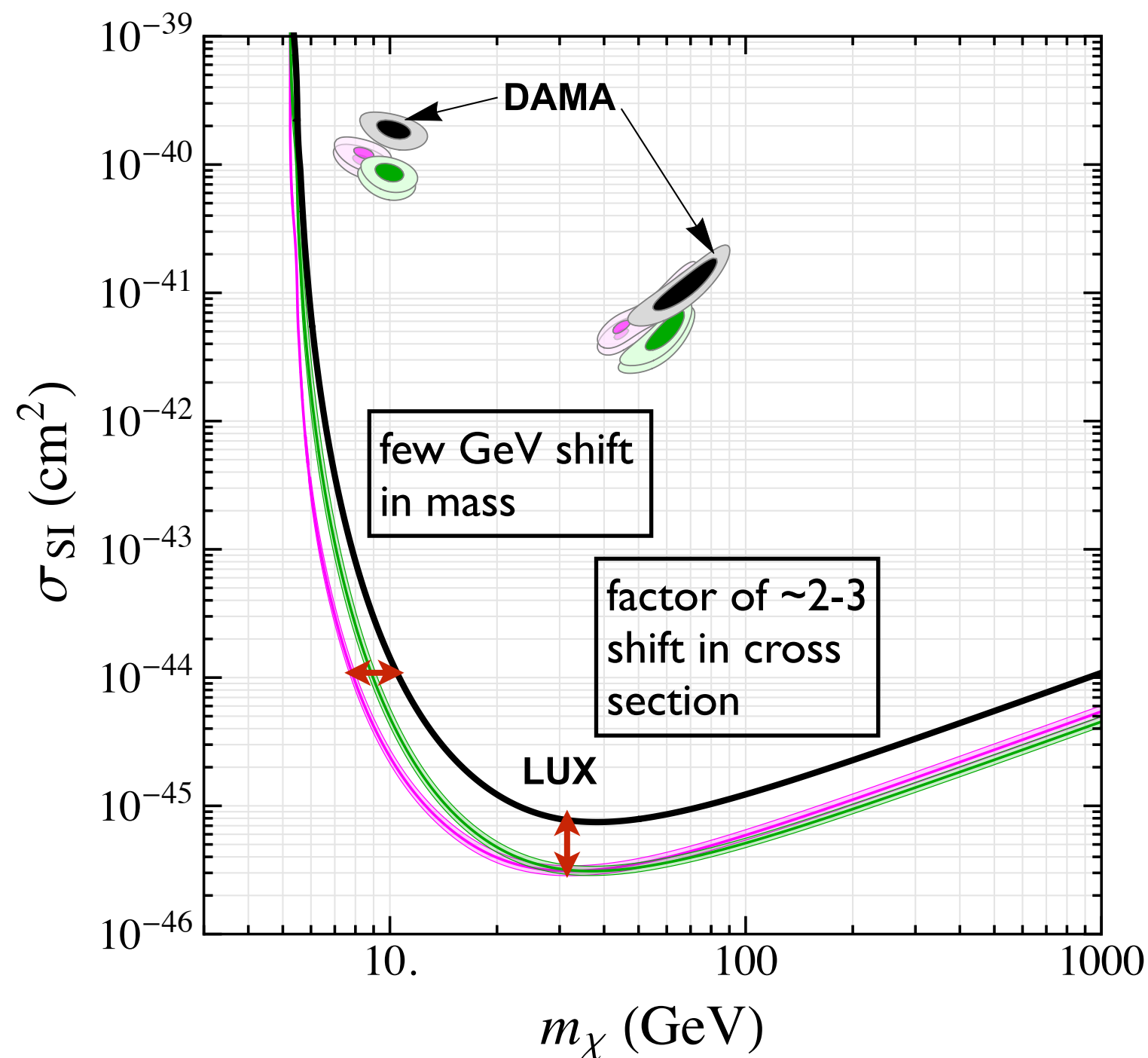
- Assuming the **Standard Halo Model**:





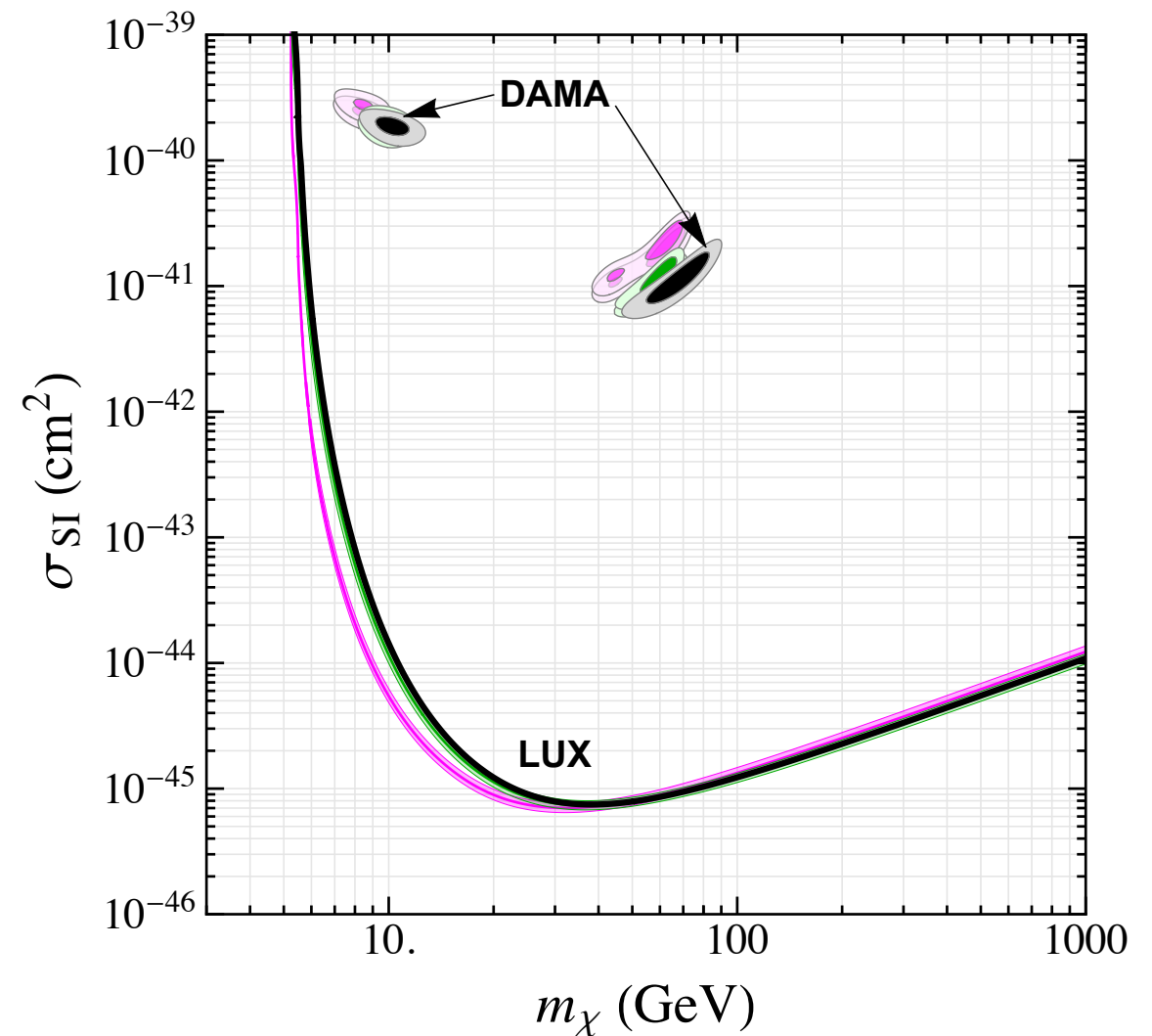
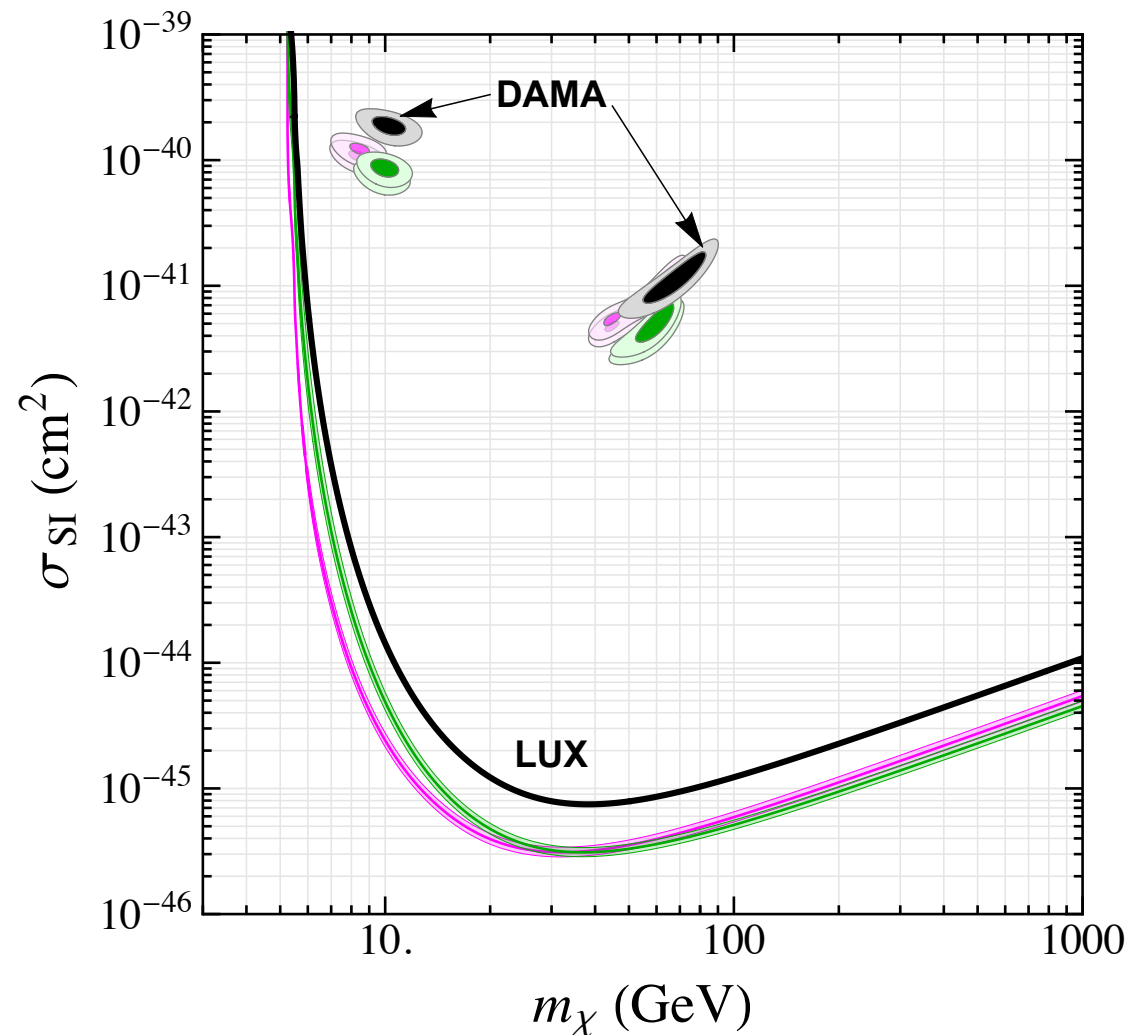
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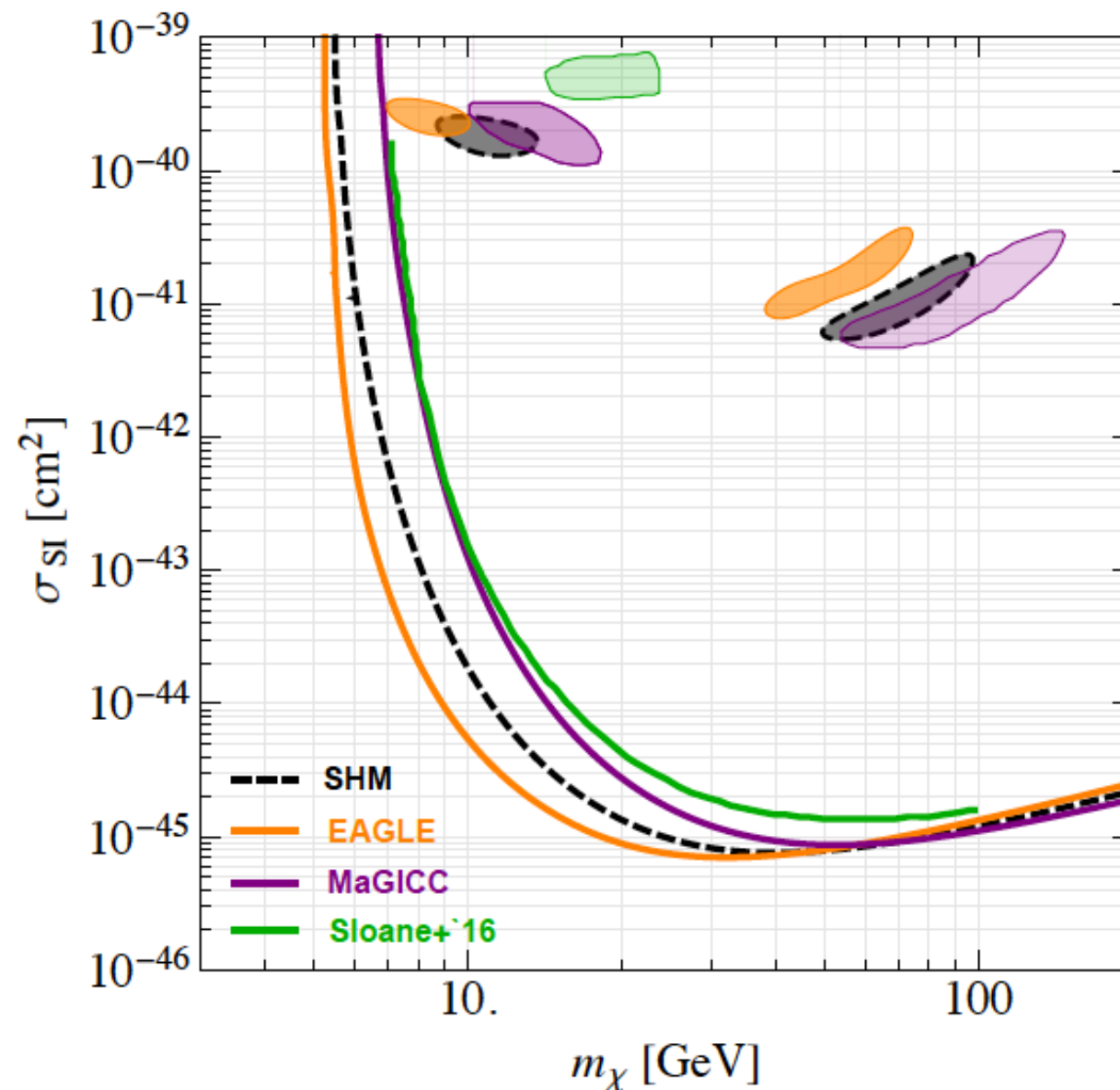


- Difference in the local DM density  $\rightarrow$  overall difference with the SHM.
- Variation in the peak of the DM speed distribution  $\rightarrow$  shift in the low mass region.

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Comparison to other hydrodynamical simulations:

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# Non-standard interactions

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Kahlhoefer & Wild, 1607.04418

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dE_R} = \frac{d\sigma_1}{dE_R} \frac{1}{v^2} + \frac{d\sigma_2}{dE_R}$$



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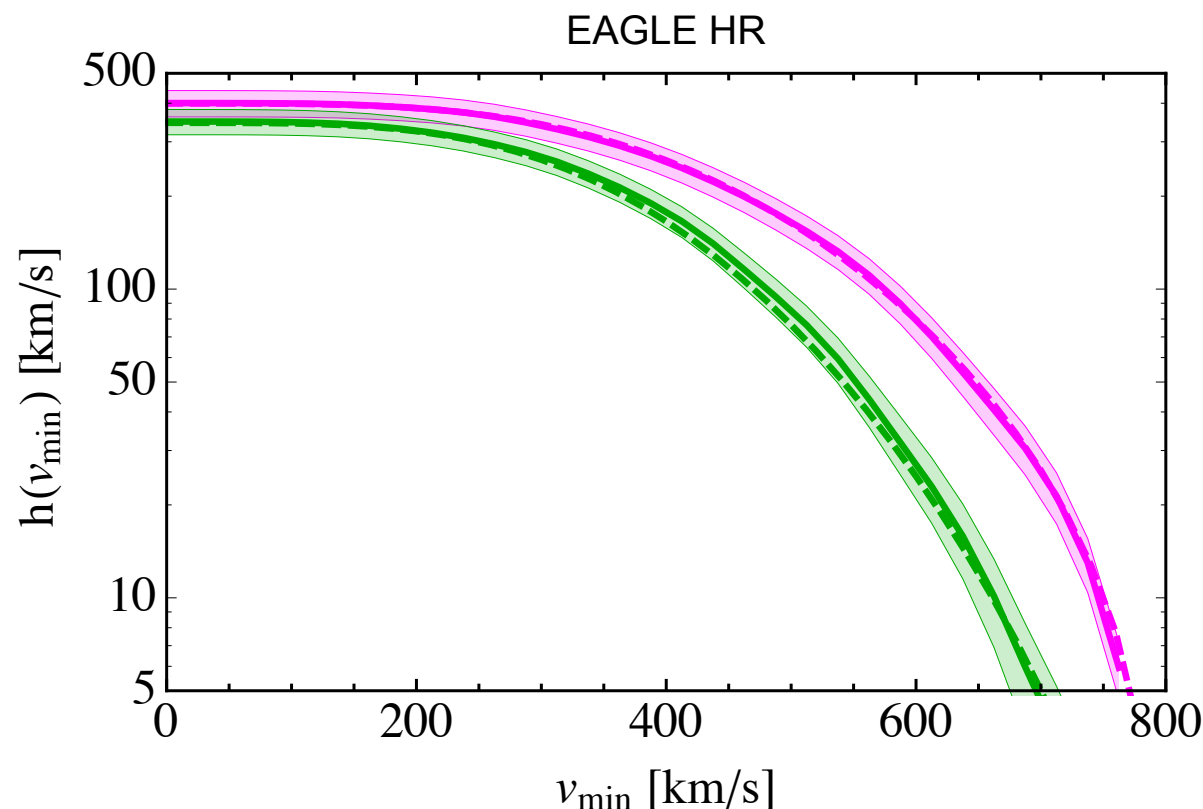
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dE_R} = \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_1}{dE_R} \frac{1}{v^2}}_{\eta(v_{\min}, t)} + \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_2}{dE_R}}_{h(v_{\min}, t) = \int_{v > v_{\min}} d^3v \, v \, f_{\text{det}}(\mathbf{v}, t)}$$

# Non-standard interactions

- For a very general set of non-relativistic effective operators:

Kahlhoefer & Wild, 1607.04418

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dE_R} = \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_1}{dE_R} \frac{1}{v^2}}_{\eta(v_{\min}, t)} + \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_2}{dE_R}}_{h(v_{\min}, t) = \int_{v > v_{\min}} d^3v \, v \, f_{\text{det}}(\mathbf{v}, t)}$$



Bozorgnia & Bertone, 1705.05853

- Best fit Maxwellian  $h(v_{\min})$  falls within the  $1\sigma$  uncertainty band of the  $h(v_{\min})$  of the simulated haloes.

# Dark Matter substructure

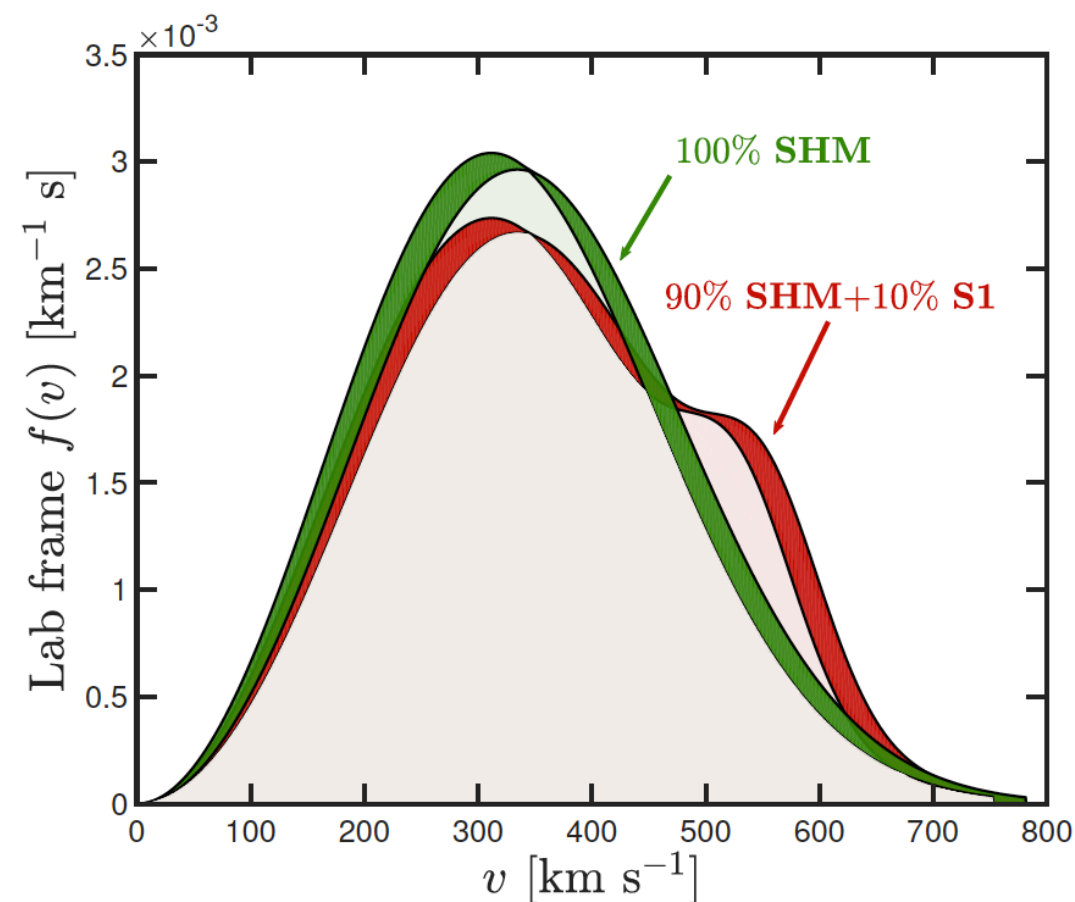
## What we know from simulations:

- High resolution **DMO** simulations predict:
  - DM density at the Solar position very smooth. Chance of the Sun residing in a DM subhalo of any mass is  $10^{-4}$ .  
Vogelsberger et al., 0812.0362
  - DM streams at the Solar position are unlikely to be important.  
Vogelsberger & White, 1002.3162
- **What happens when baryons are included?**  
Substructure abundance reduced. Sawala et al., 1609.01718  
Garrison-Kimmel et al., 1701.03792  
*Need higher resolution hydro simulations to probe Solar position.*

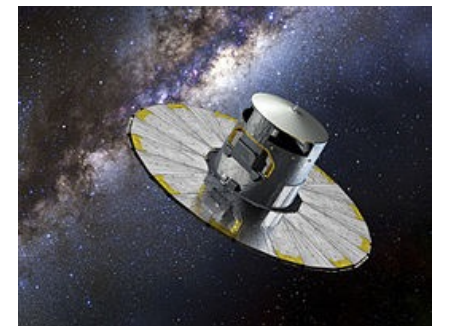
# Dark Matter substructure

## Input from Gaia and other surveys:

- **DM subhalos:** search for the interaction of **DM subhalos** and **stellar streams**. Subhalo flybys can cause measurable perturbations in the streams.  
N. Banik, G. Bertone, J. Bovy and N. Bozorgnia, 1804.04384
- **DM streams:** consider the DM counterparts of observed stellar streams.



O'Hare et al., 1807.09004

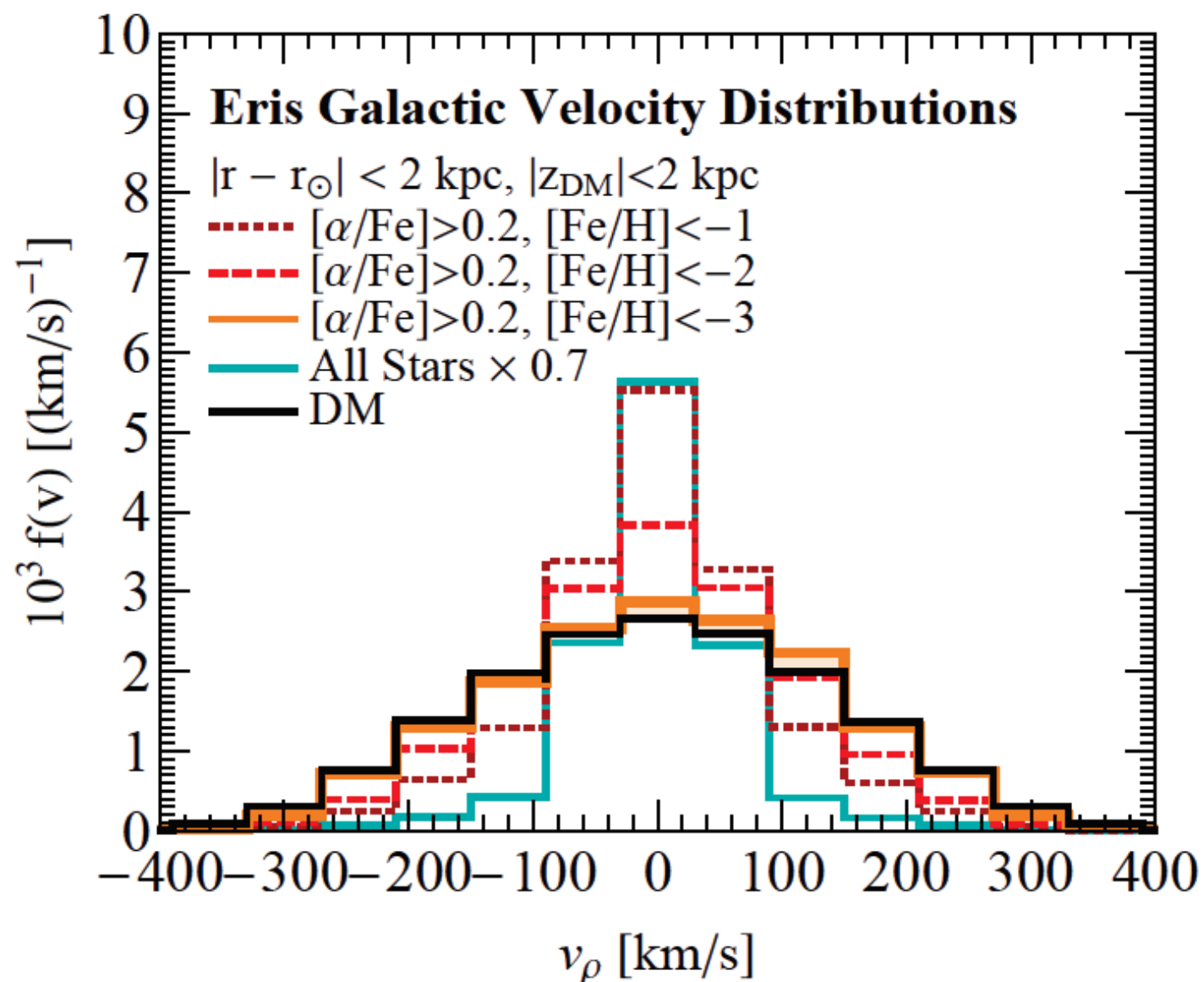


# Dark Matter velocity distribution from simulations & observations



# DM and stellar distributions

- Older and metal-poor stars may have a common origin with the DM in the Milky Way due to similar merger history. →  
*Correlations between the DM and stellar velocity distributions.*



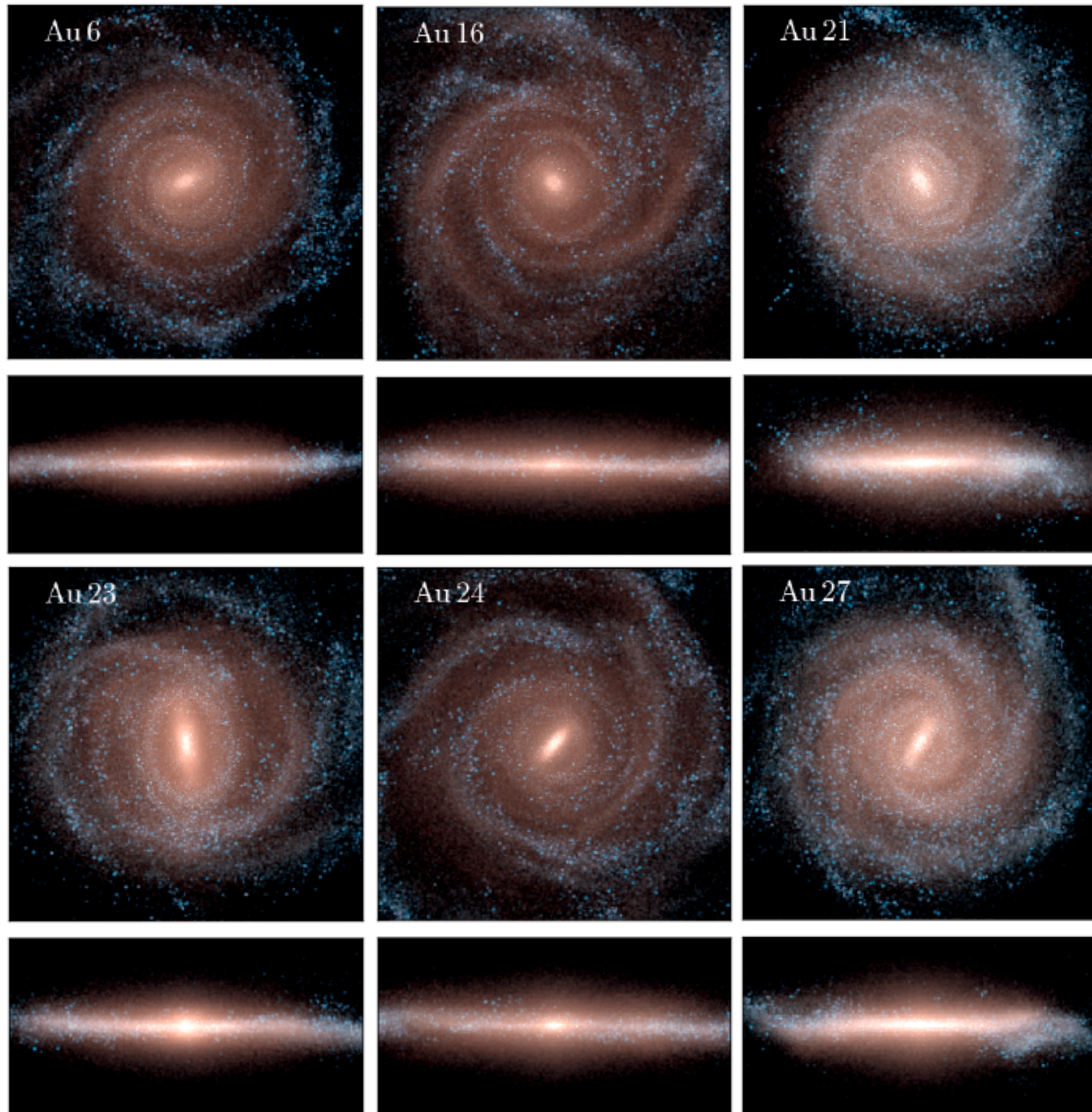
$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -1$   
means 1/10 of the  
Sun's iron fraction

Herzog-Arbeitman, Lisanti, Madau, Necib, 1704.04499

# Auriga simulations

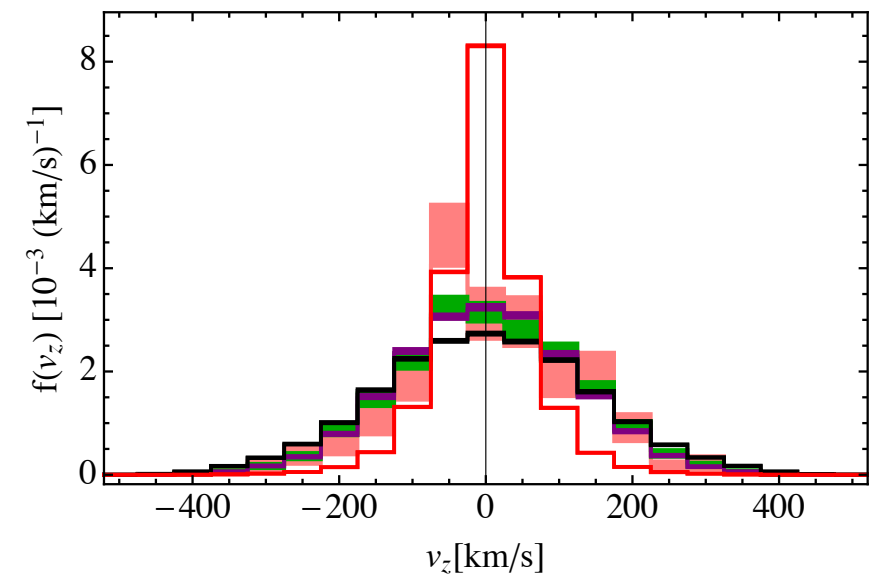
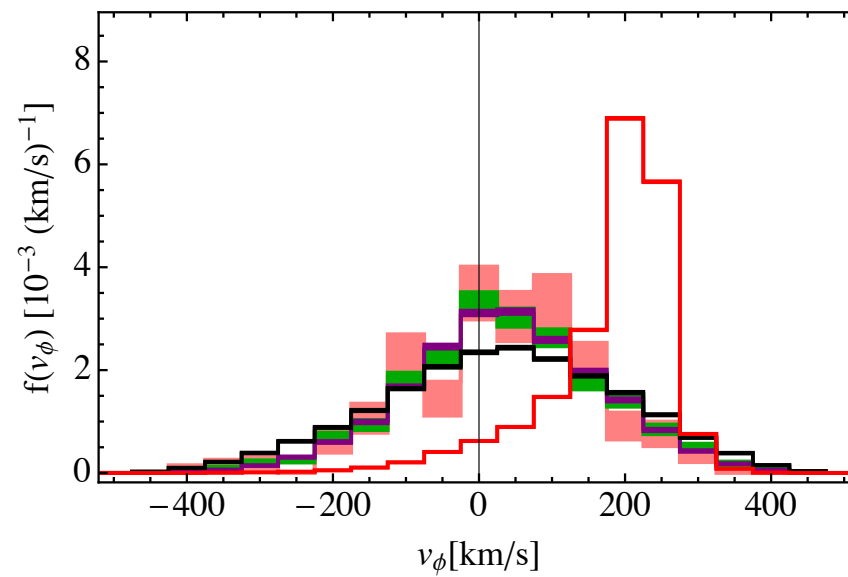
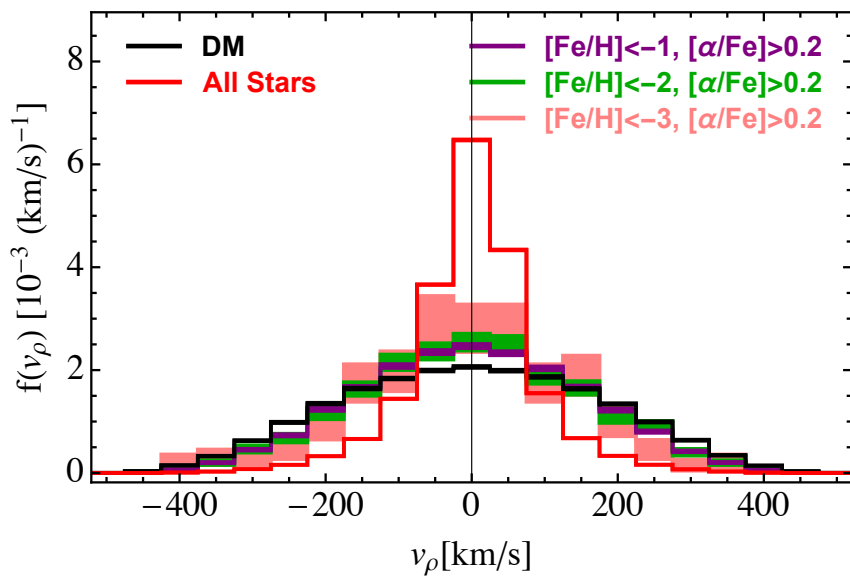
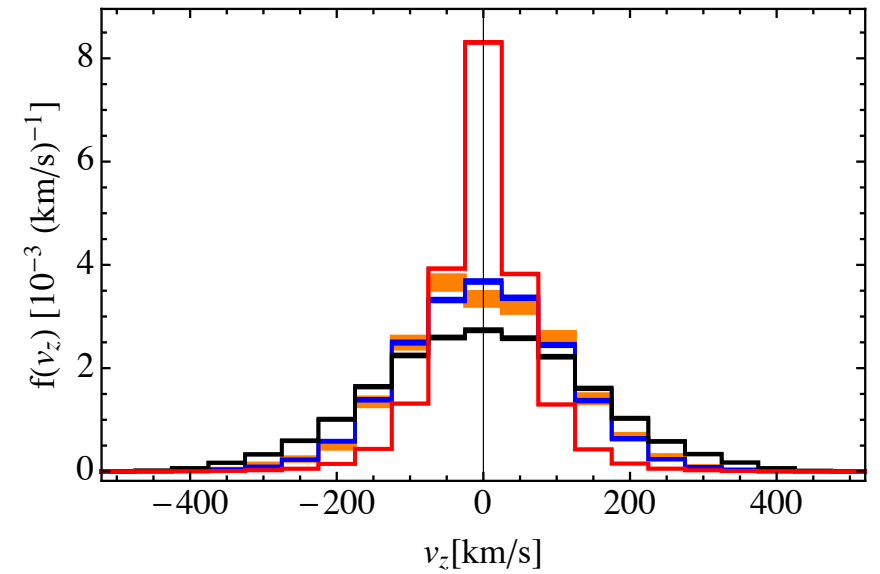
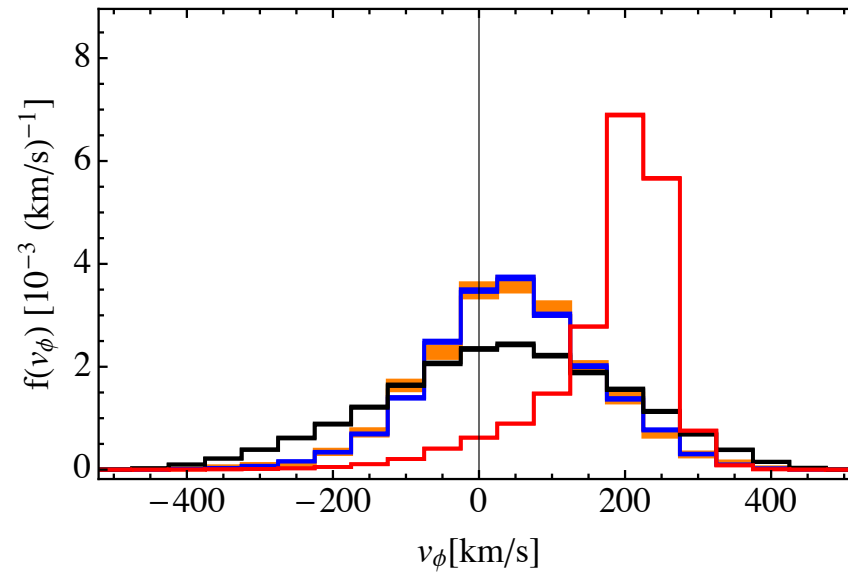
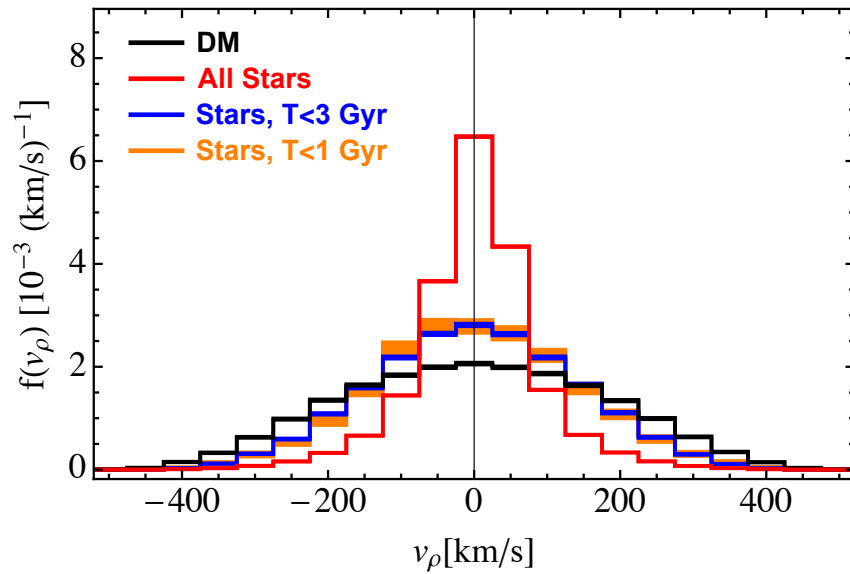
- State-of-the-art cosmological magneto-hydrodynamical zoom simulations of Milky Way size halos.
- Six halos at the highest resolution:

$m_{\text{DM}} [M_{\odot}]$	$m_{\text{b}} [M_{\odot}]$	$\epsilon$ [pc]
$4 \times 10^4$	$6 \times 10^3$	184



# Correlations in Auriga

Au 6



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 $p = 2.8 \times 10^{-2}$

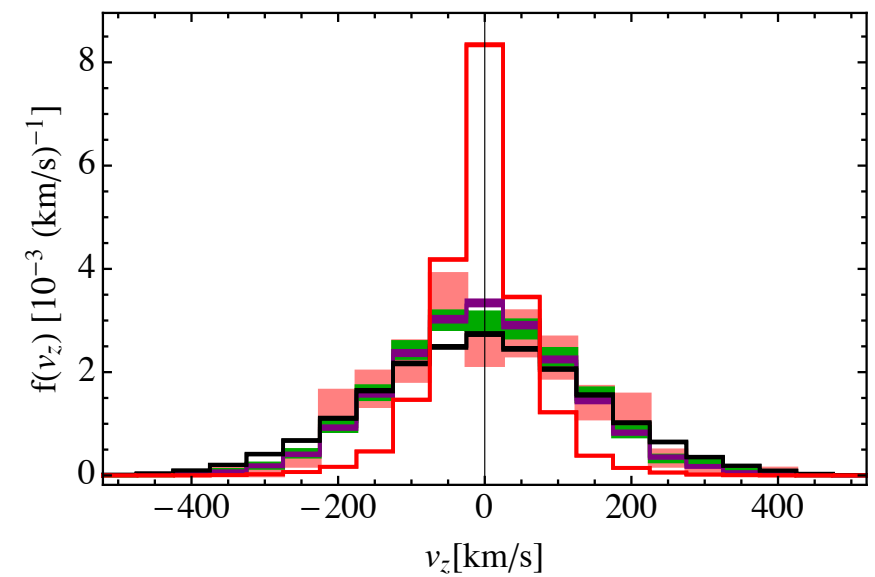
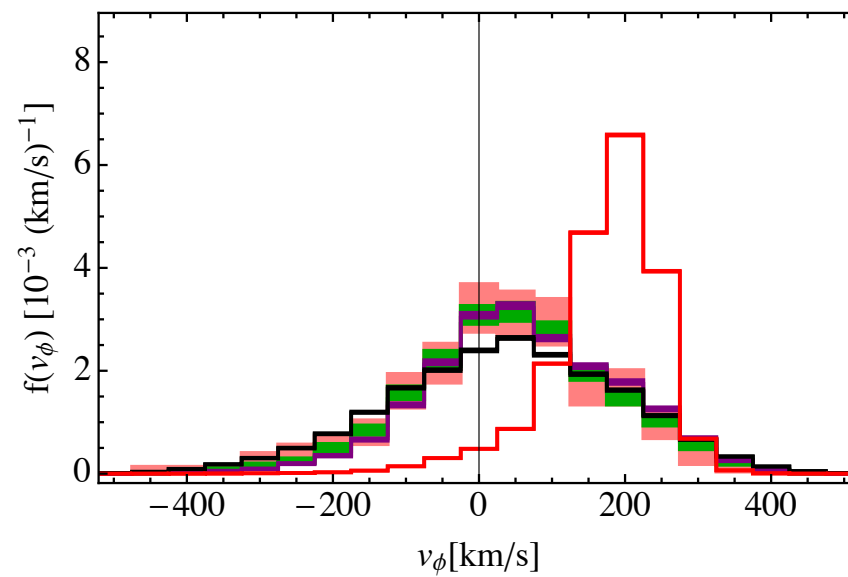
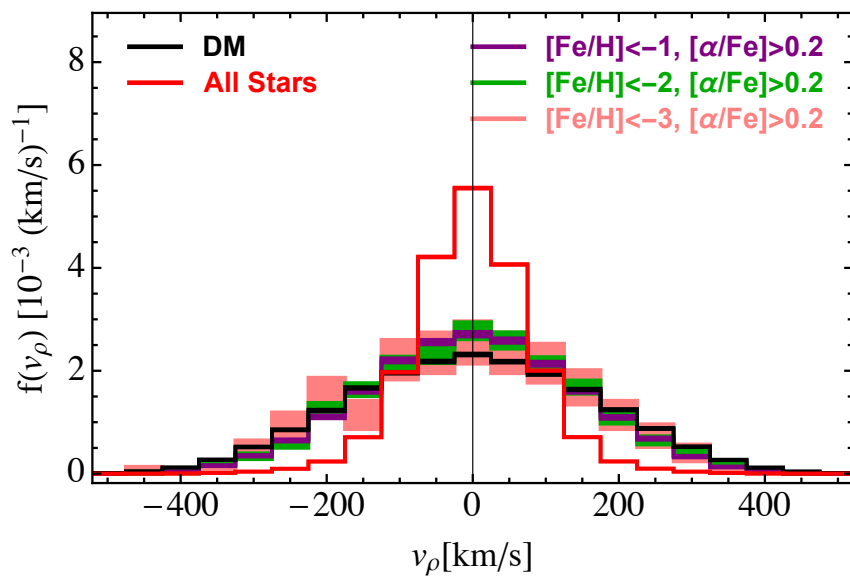
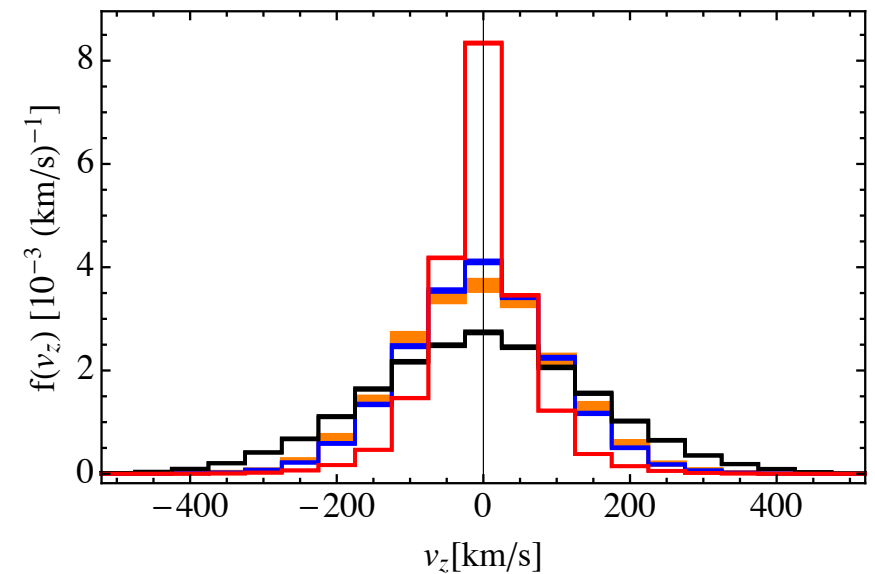
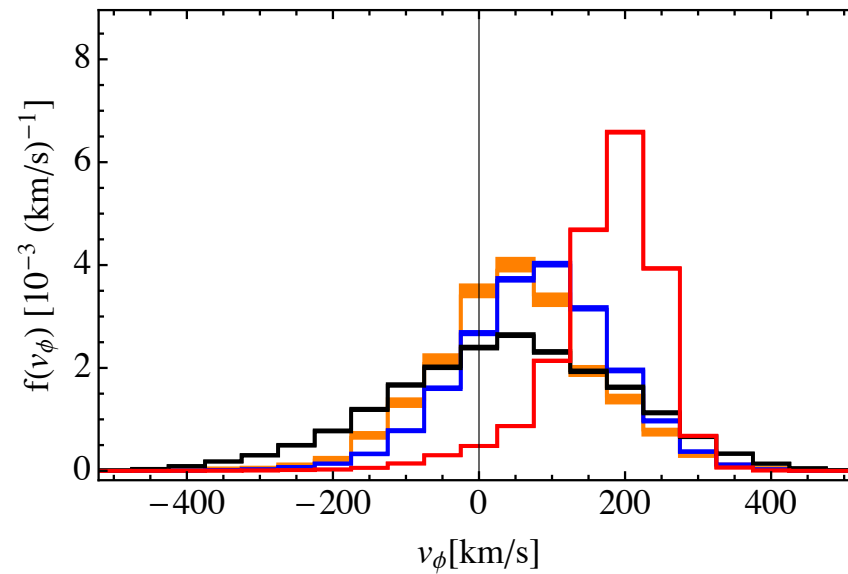
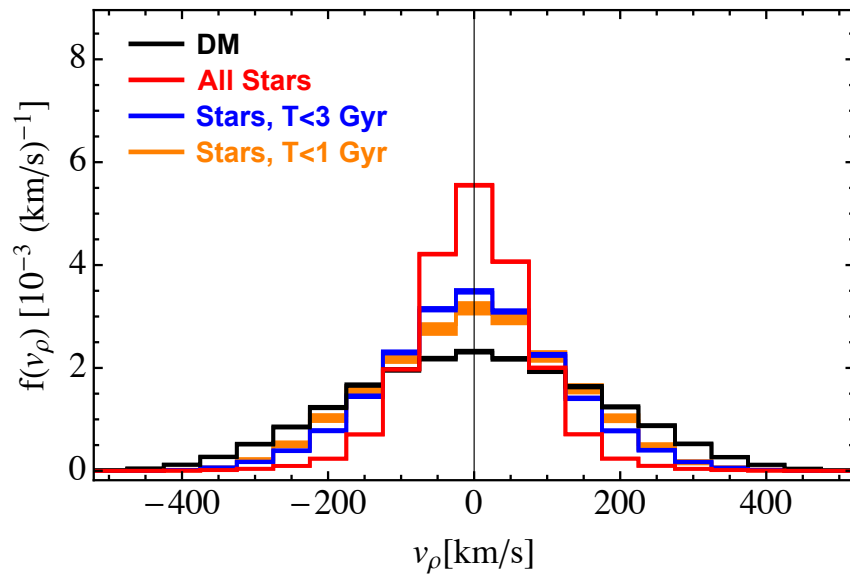
$p = 2.1 \times 10^{-7}$   
 $p = 3.7 \times 10^{-3}$

$p = 8.9 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $p = 7.6 \times 10^{-3}$

Bozorgnia, Cerdeño, Fattahi, Frenk, *in preparation*

# Correlations in Auriga

Au I 6



$p = 4.9 \times 10^{-3}$   
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 $p = 2.1 \times 10^{-1}$

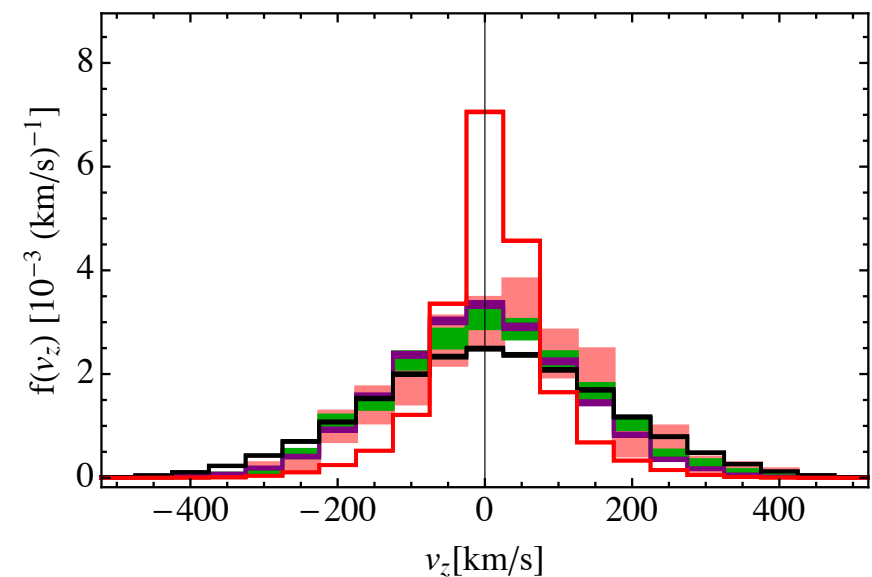
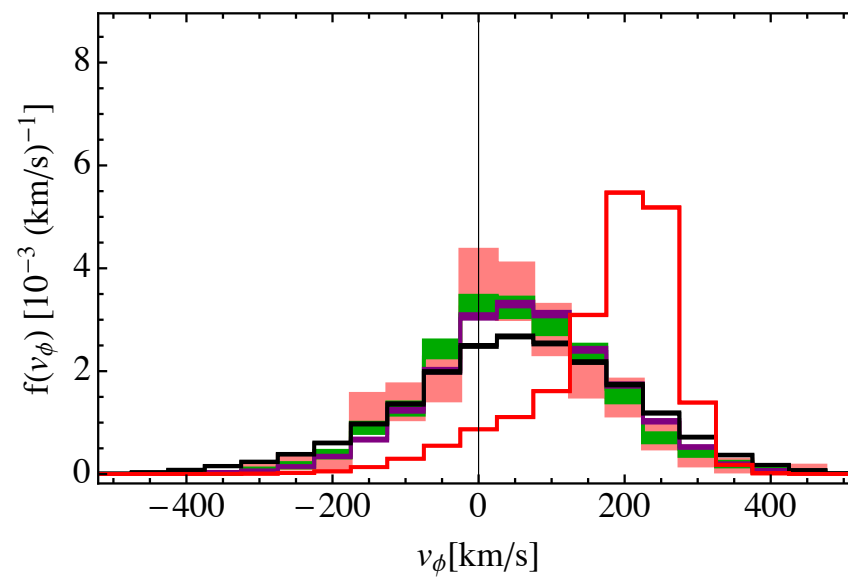
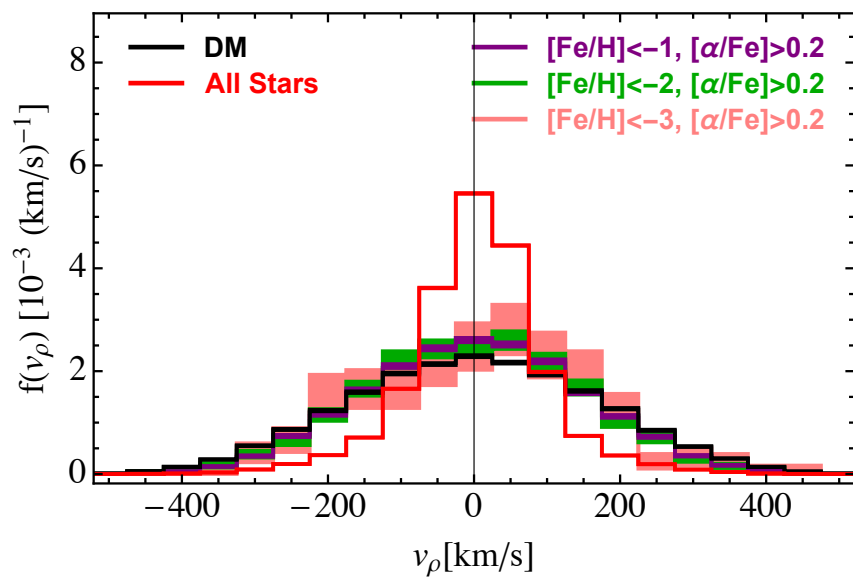
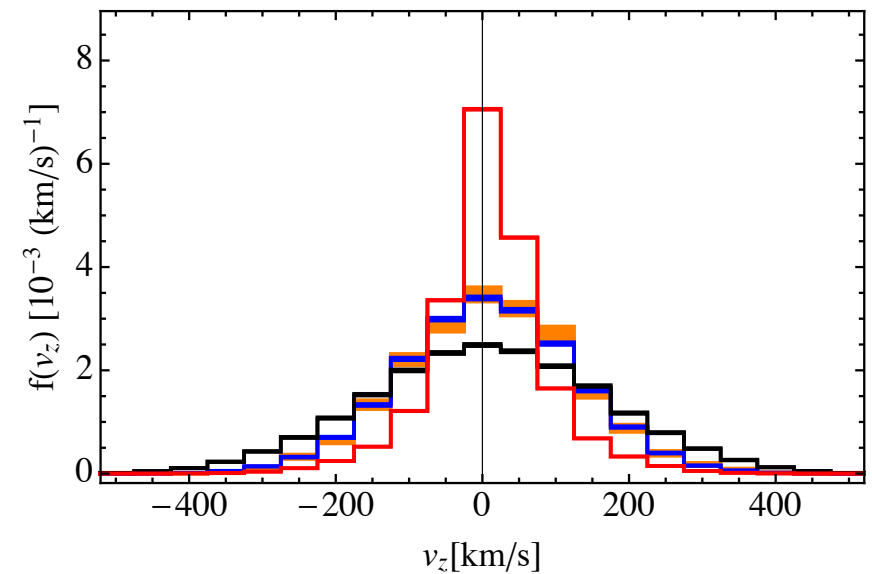
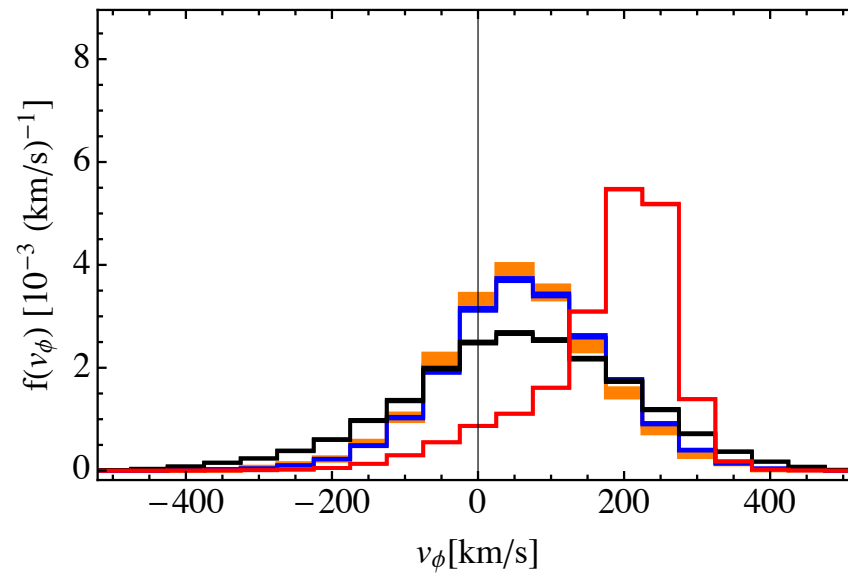
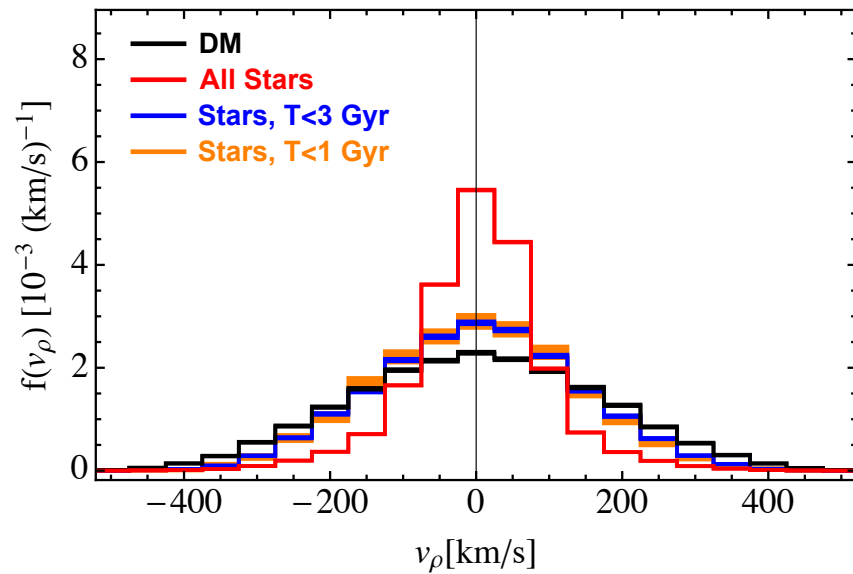
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 $p = 3.4 \times 10^{-1}$

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# Correlations in Auriga

Au 21



$p = 7.7 \times 10^{-4}$   
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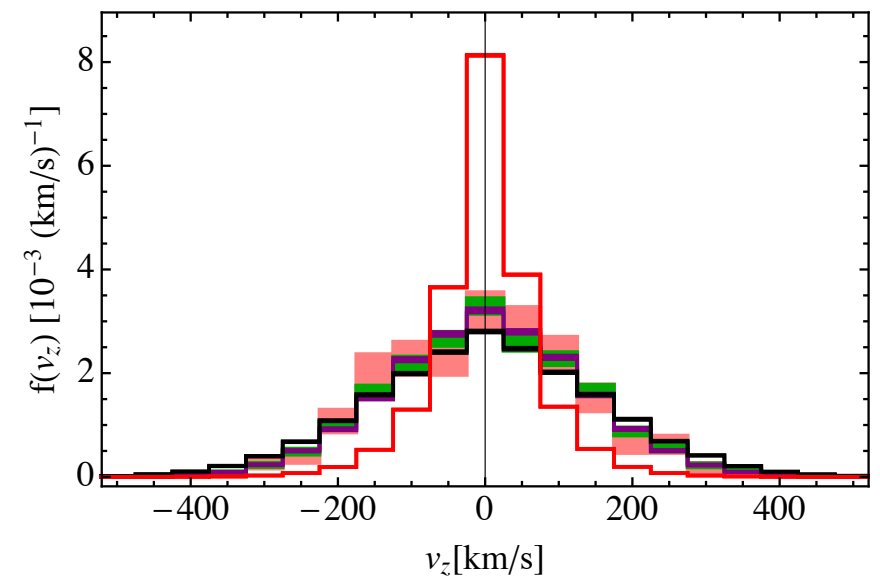
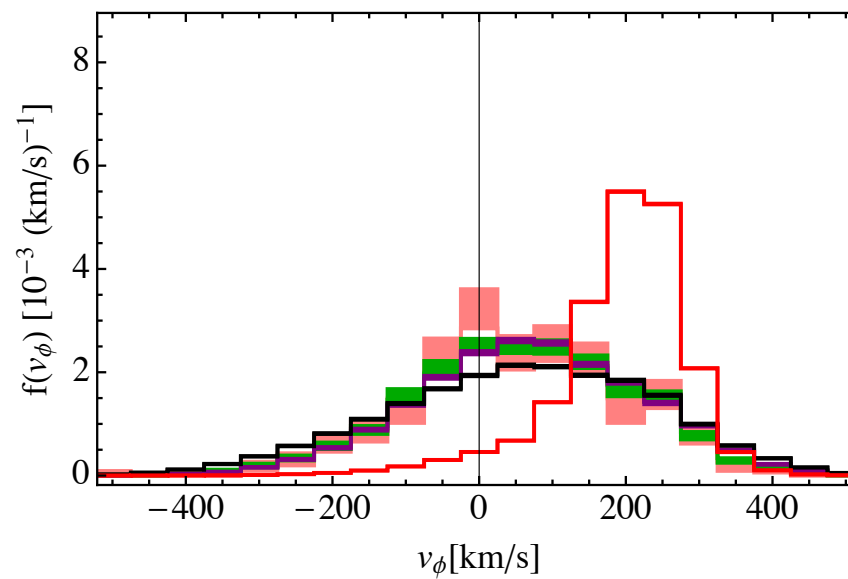
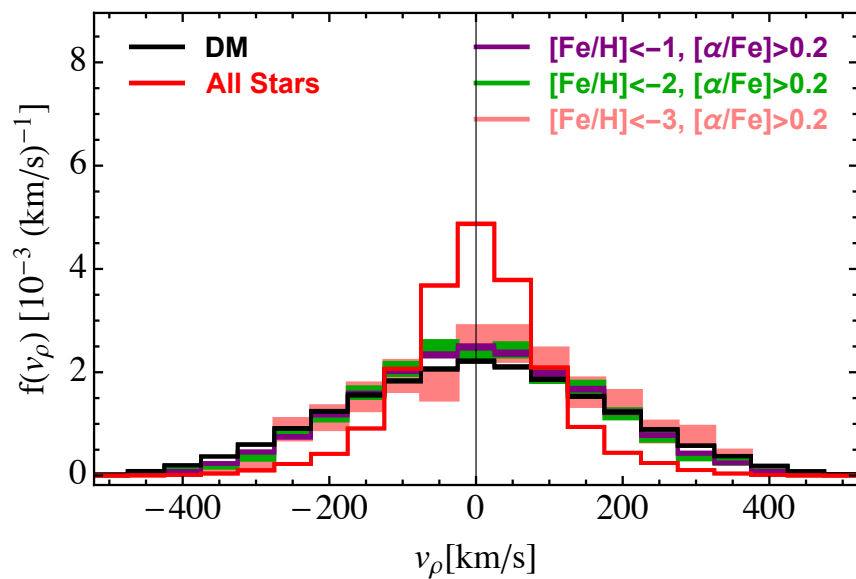
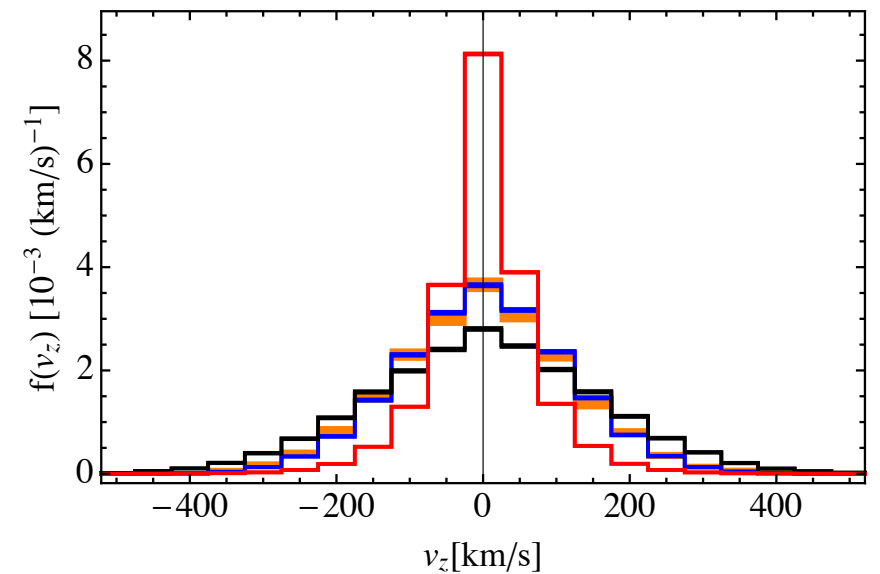
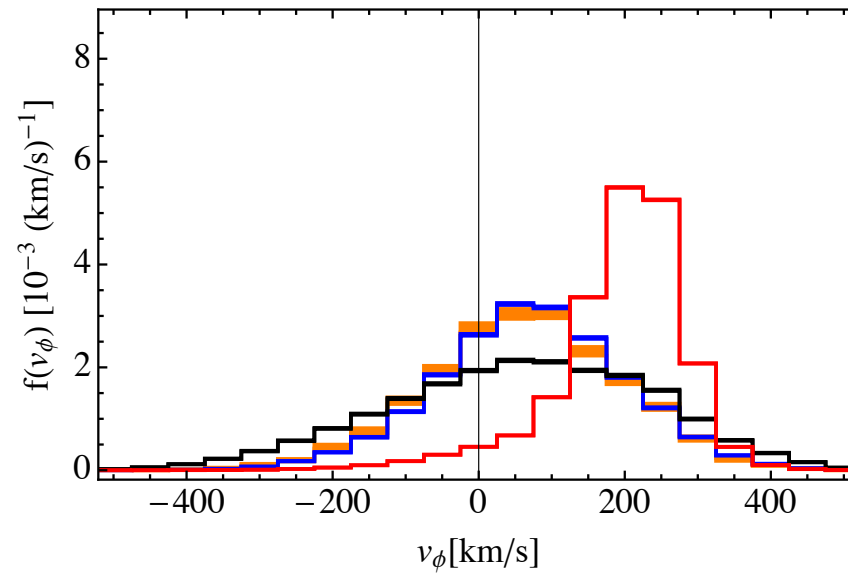
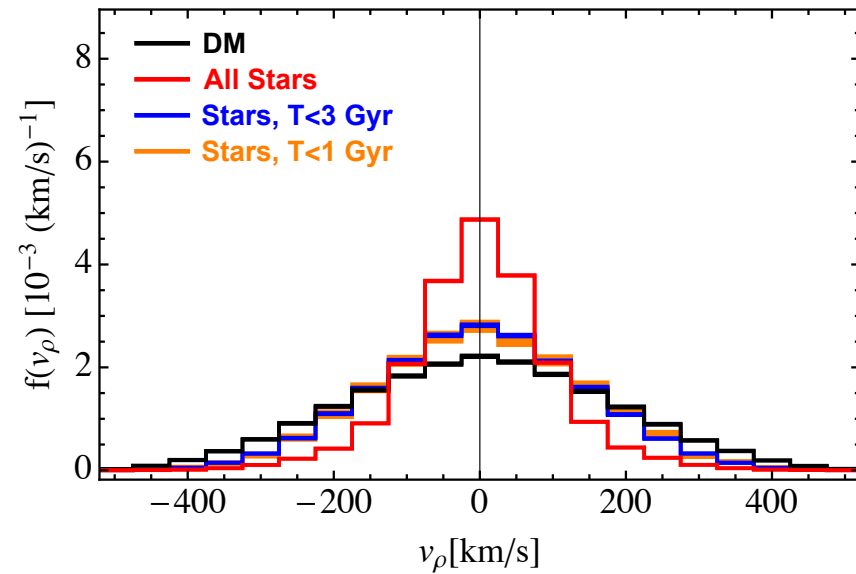
$p = 4.1 \times 10^{-8}$   
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$p = 7.0 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $p = 4.4 \times 10^{-2}$

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# Correlations in Auriga

Au 23



$p = 2.1 \times 10^{-4}$   
 $p = 3.5 \times 10^{-2}$

$p = 5.3 \times 10^{-9}$   
 $p = 7.9 \times 10^{-4}$

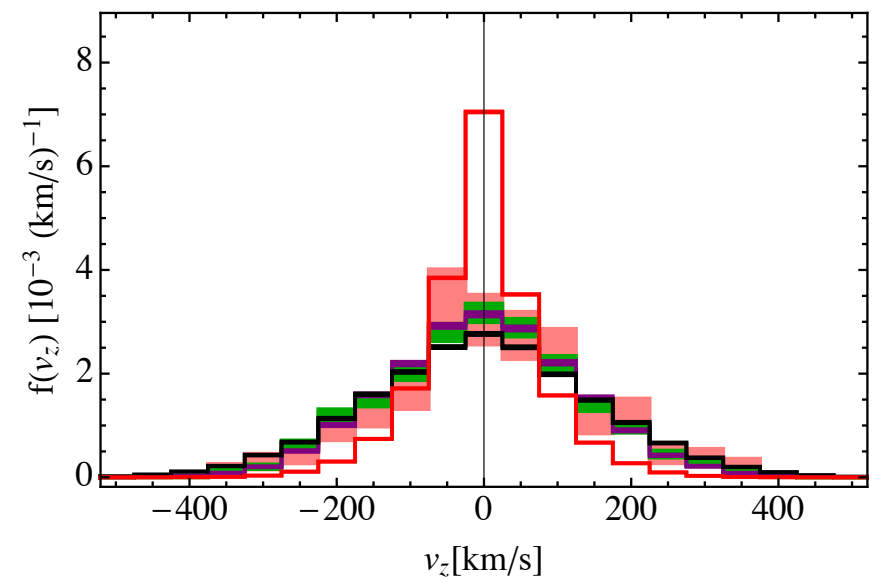
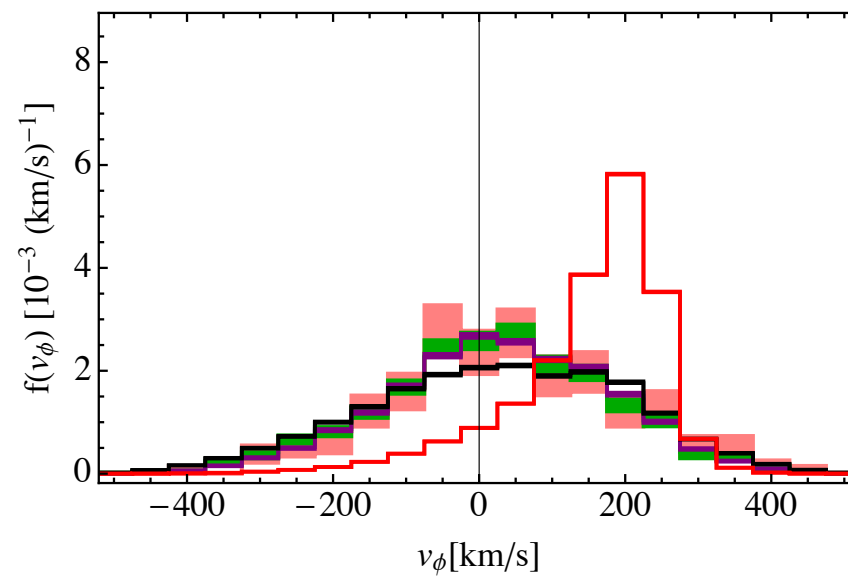
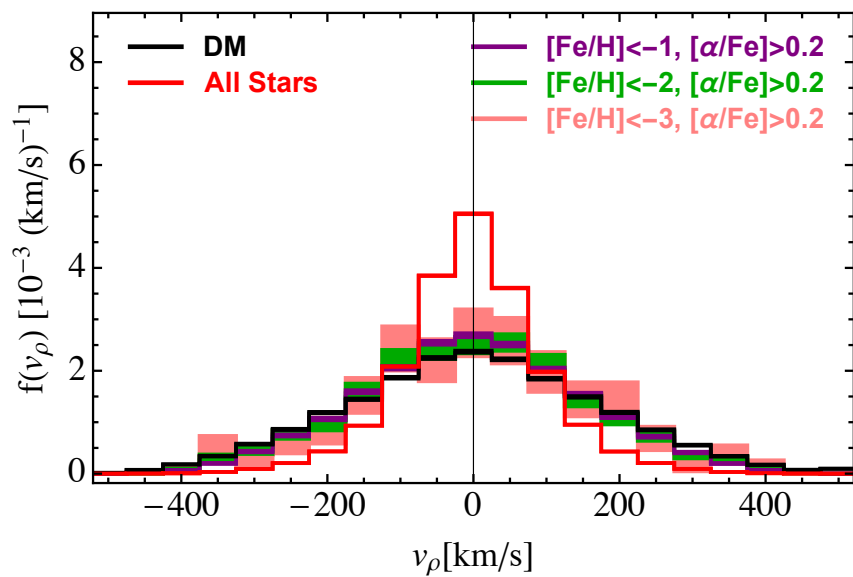
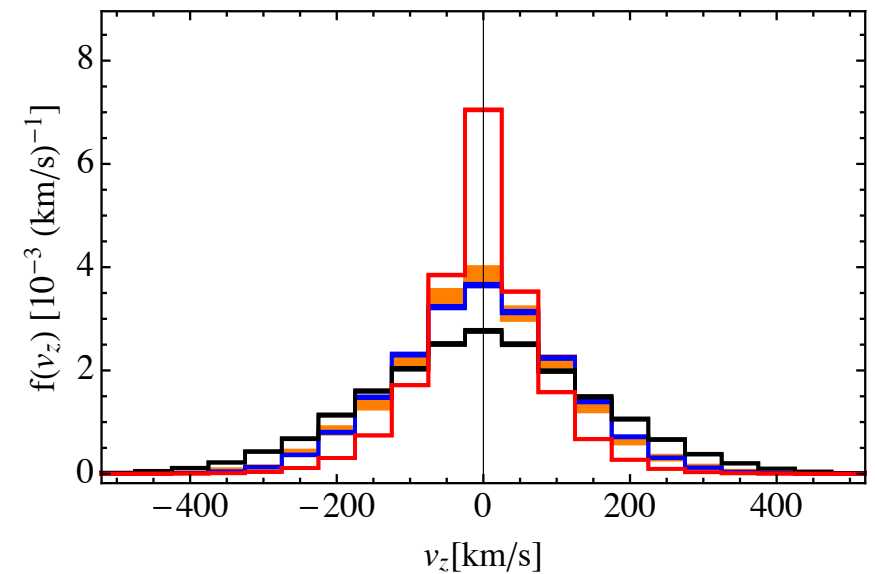
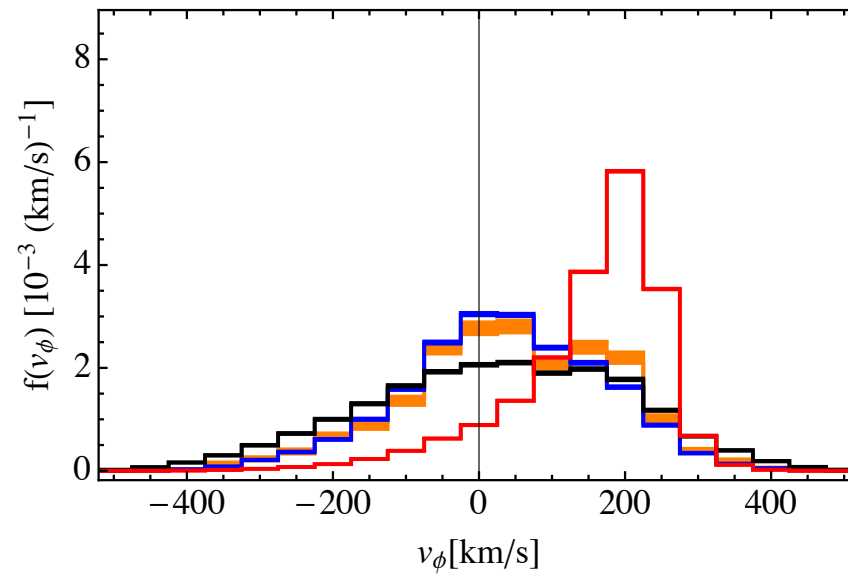
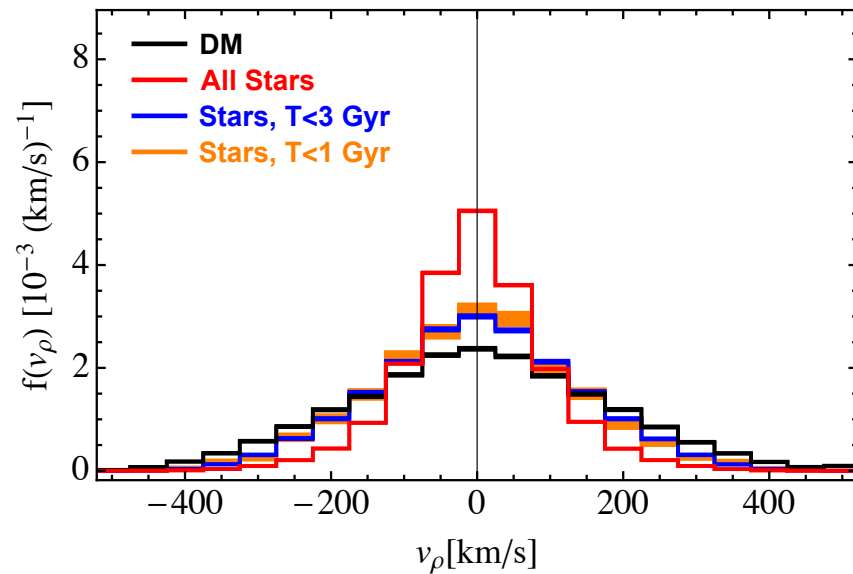
$p = 4.9 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $p = 4.2 \times 10^{-2}$

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# Correlations in Auriga

Au 24



$p = 2.4 \times 10^{-3}$   
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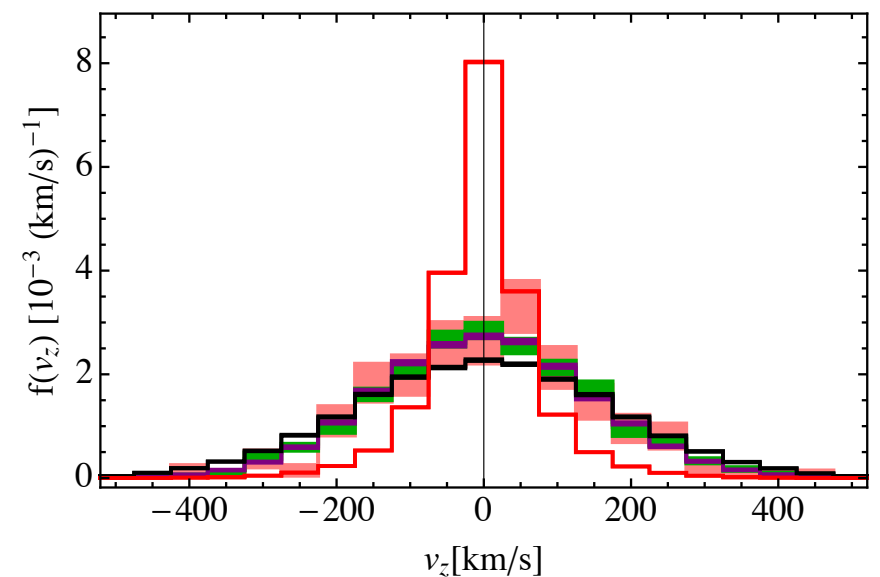
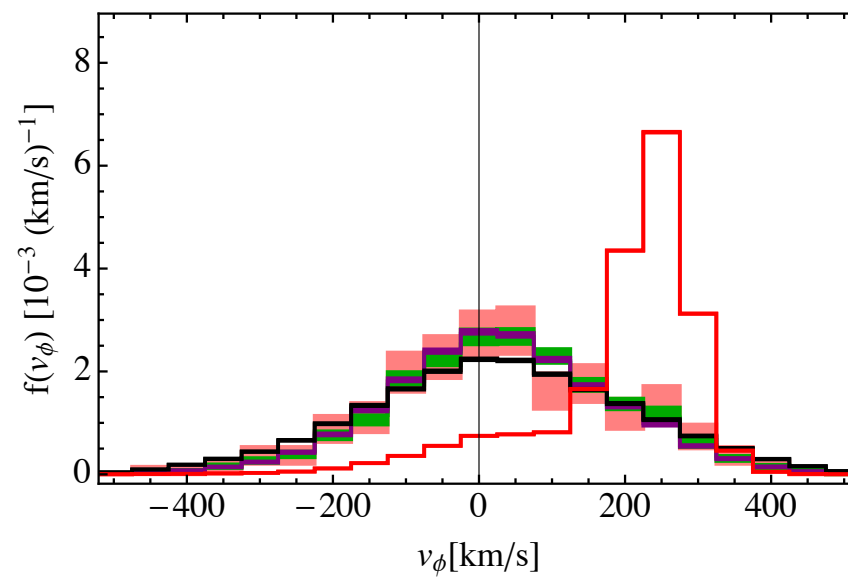
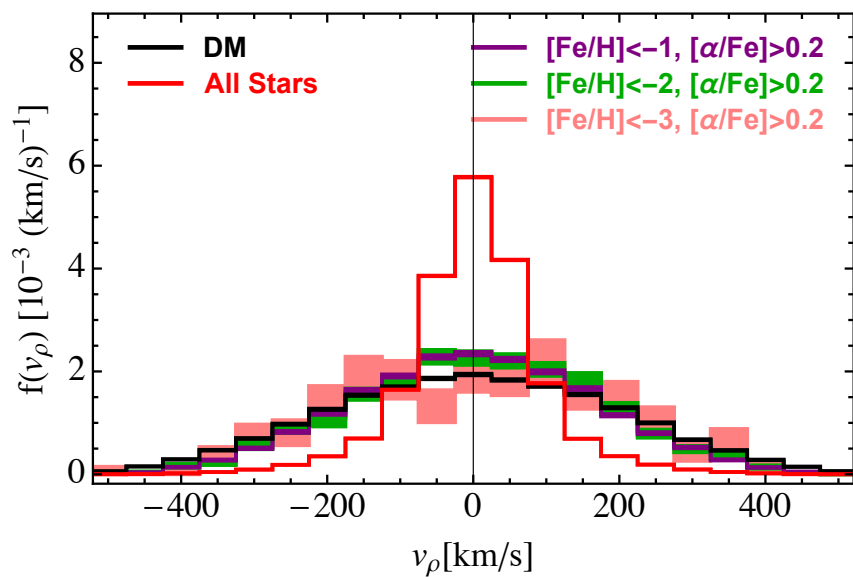
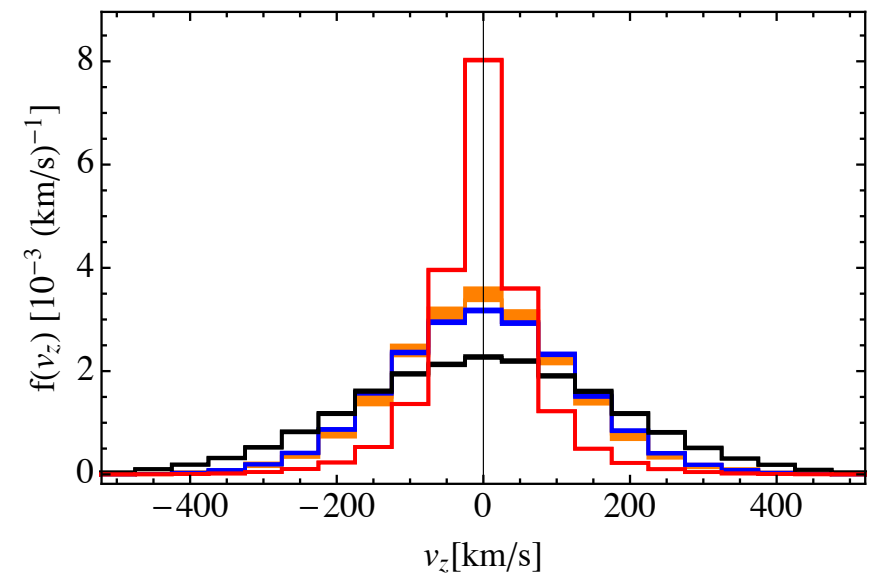
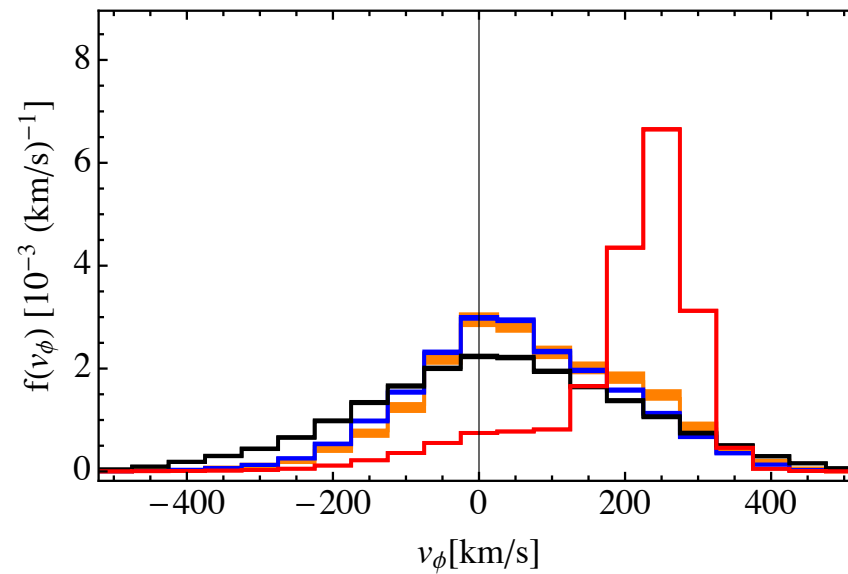
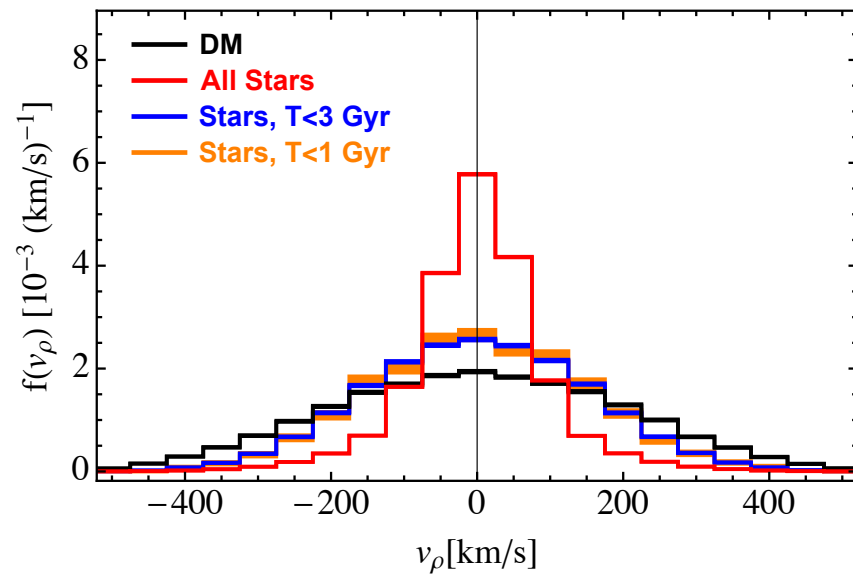
$p = 1.7 \times 10^{-6}$   
 $p = 6.6 \times 10^{-2}$

$p = 6.6 \times 10^{-3}$   
 $p = 8.7 \times 10^{-2}$

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# Correlations in Auriga

Au 27



$p = 5.2 \times 10^{-7}$   
 $p = 8.4 \times 10^{-1}$

$p = 1.8 \times 10^{-9}$   
 $p = 3.5 \times 10^{-1}$

$p = 5.2 \times 10^{-7}$   
 $p = 4.9 \times 10^{-2}$

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# Correlations in Auriga

Au 27

- Velocity distribution of **old stars** different from DM in Auriga halos.
- Velocity distributions of **metal-poor stars** and DM are similar in some Auriga halos.
- **Warning:** Stellar ages are robust in simulations, but **many subtleties in treatment of metallicities in simulations.**

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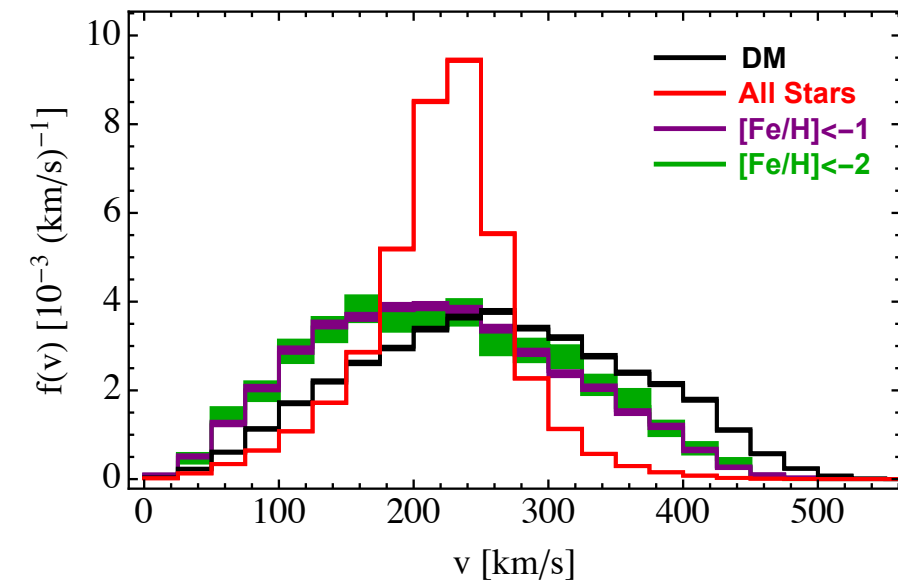
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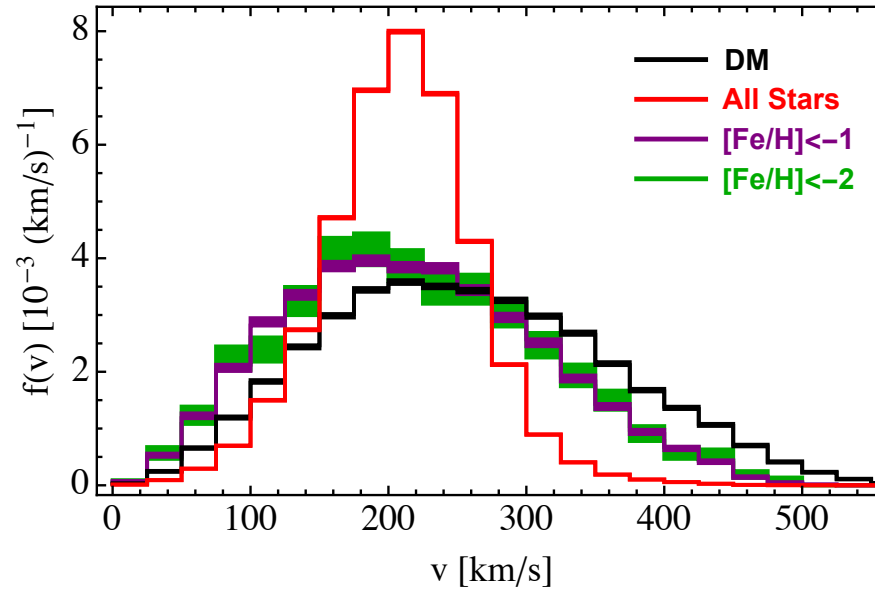
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# Speed distributions

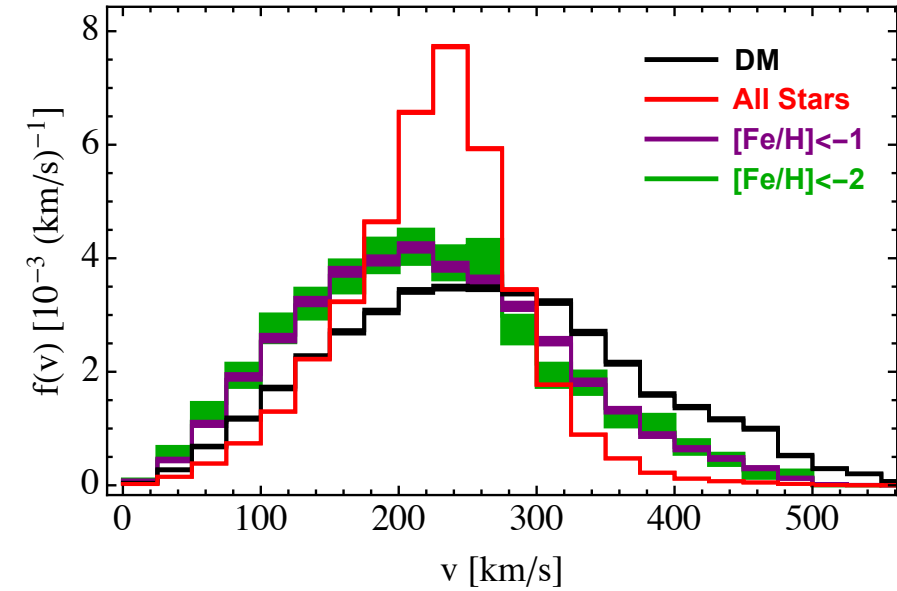
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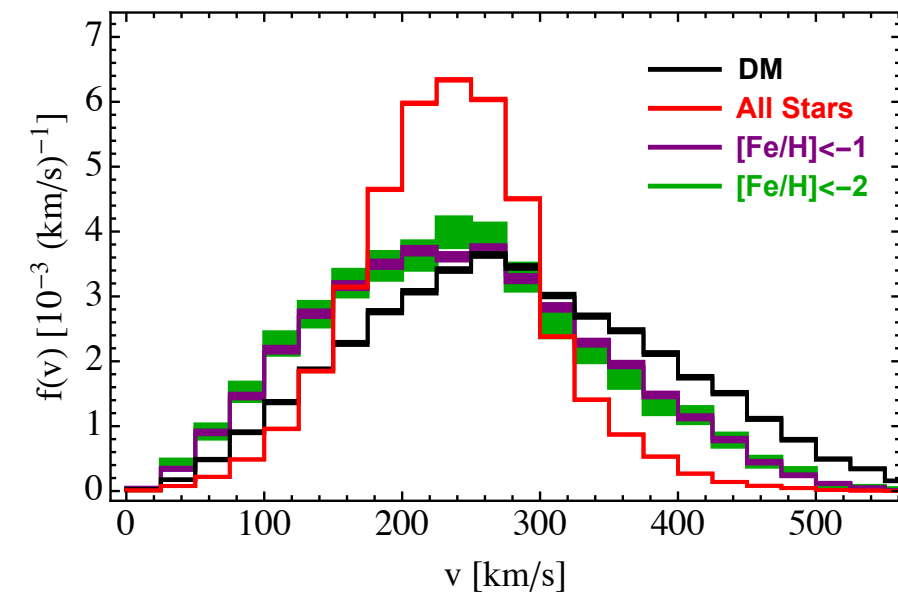
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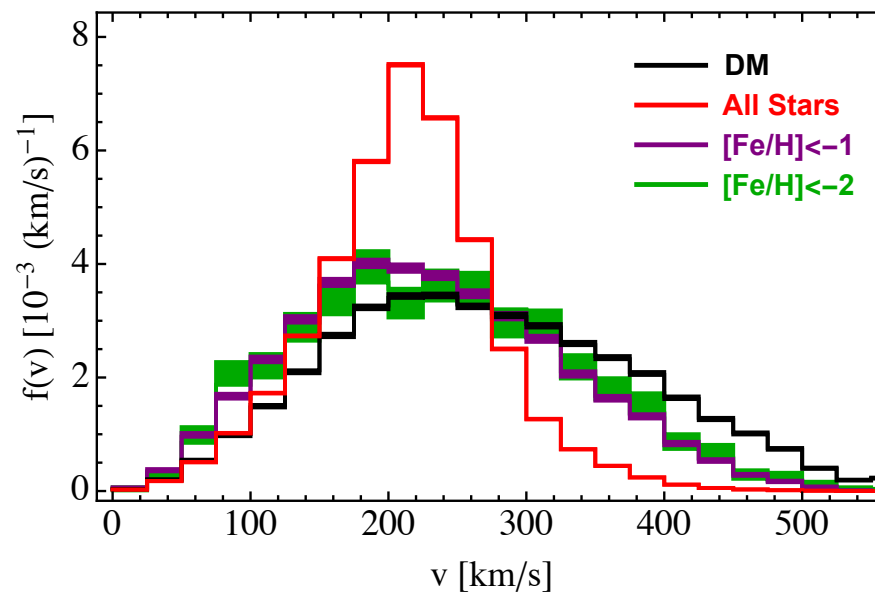
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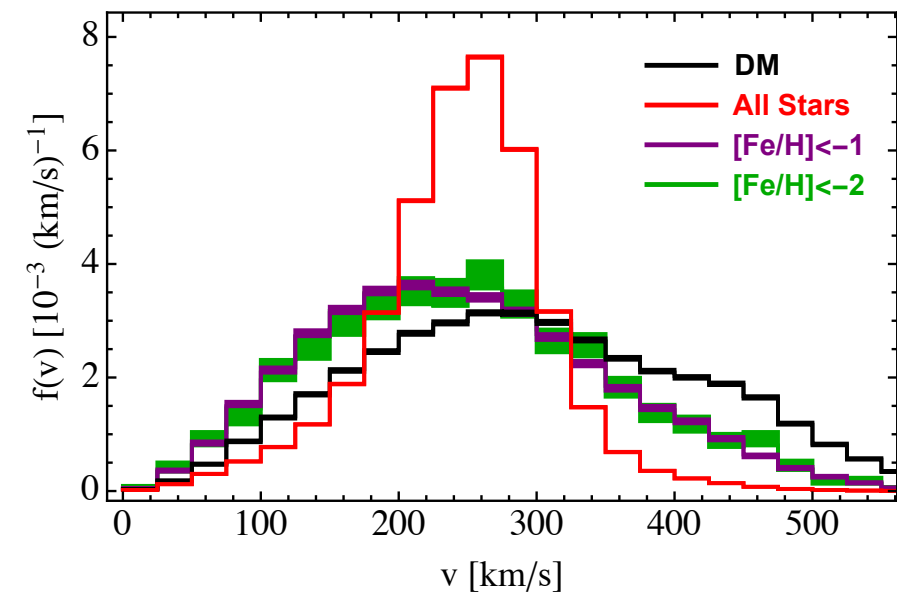
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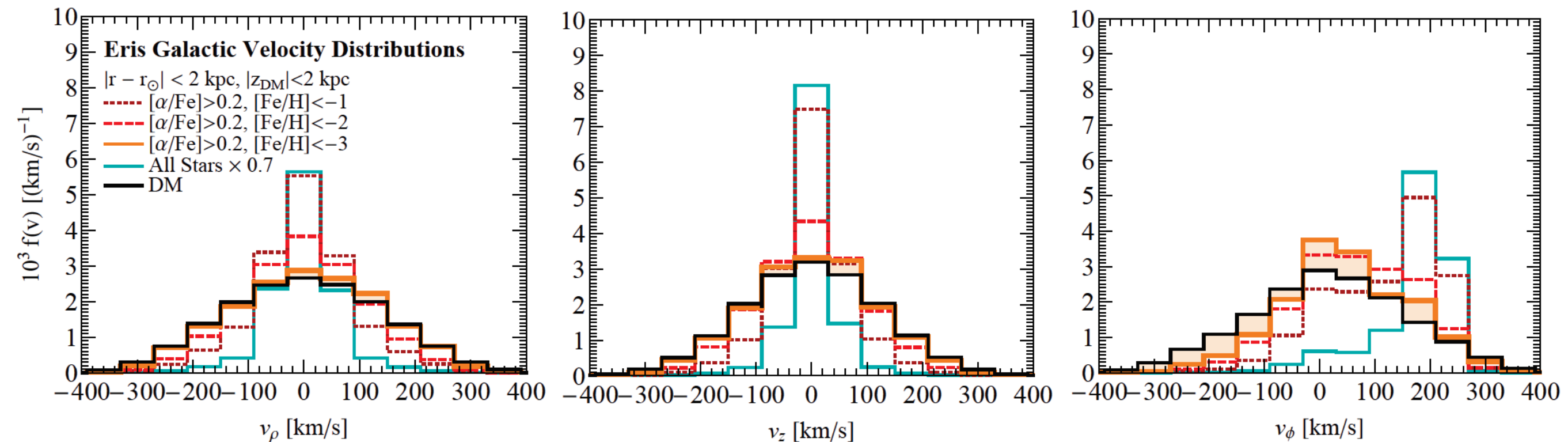
# Summary

- The local DM distribution is an important input in the direct detection event rate.
- **From Simulations:** need to Identify simulated MW-like galaxies by taking into account observational constraints on the MW.
  - **Local DM density** agrees with local and global estimates.
  - **Maxwellian velocity distribution** works well.
- **From Observations & Simulations:** need to identify a population of stars tracing the DM in multiple simulations.
  - **Auriga:** velocity distribution of old stars different from DM. Difficult to draw strong conclusions just based on metallicities.



# Backup Slides

# Correlations in Eris



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$$[X/Y] = \log_{10} (N_X / N_Y) - \log_{10} (N_X / N_Y)_{\odot}$$

$m_{\text{DM}} [M_{\odot}]$	$m_{\text{g}} [M_{\odot}]$	$\epsilon [\text{pc}]$
$9.8 \times 10^4$	$2 \times 10^4$	120

# Correlations in Eris

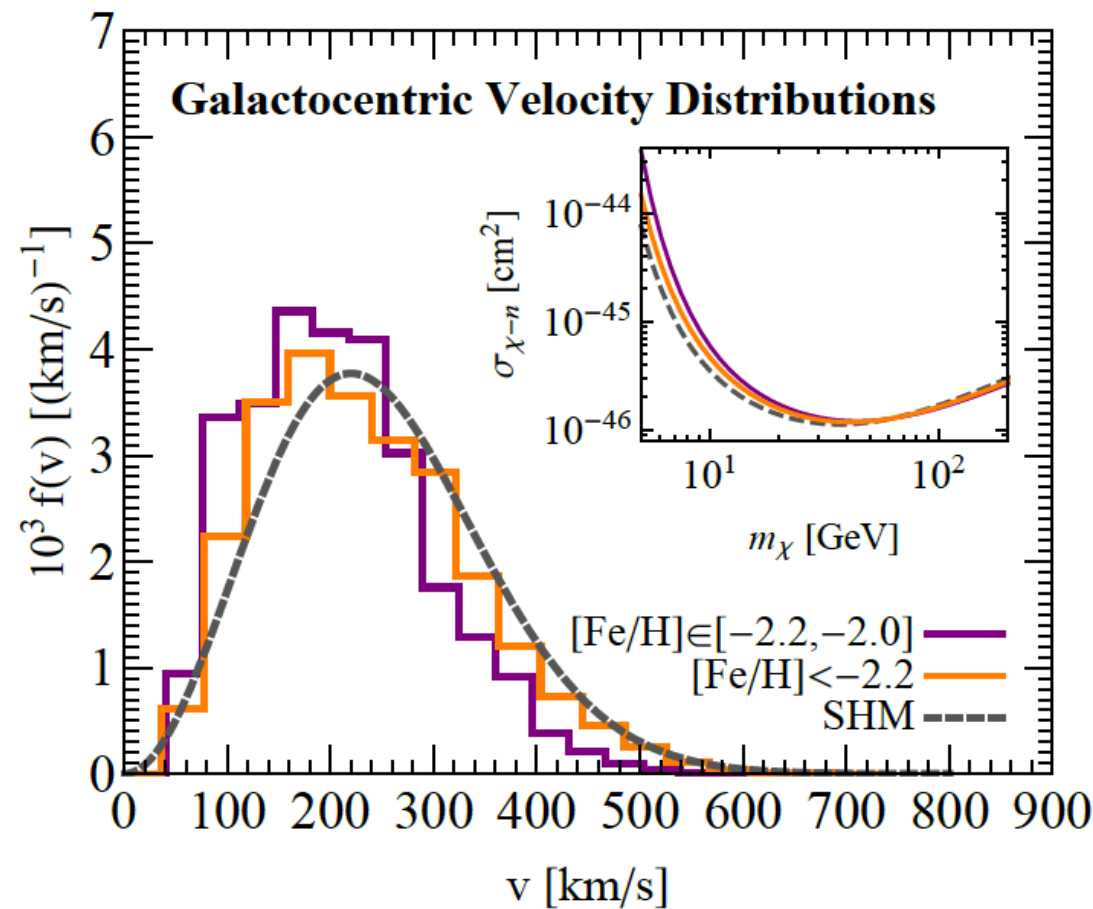
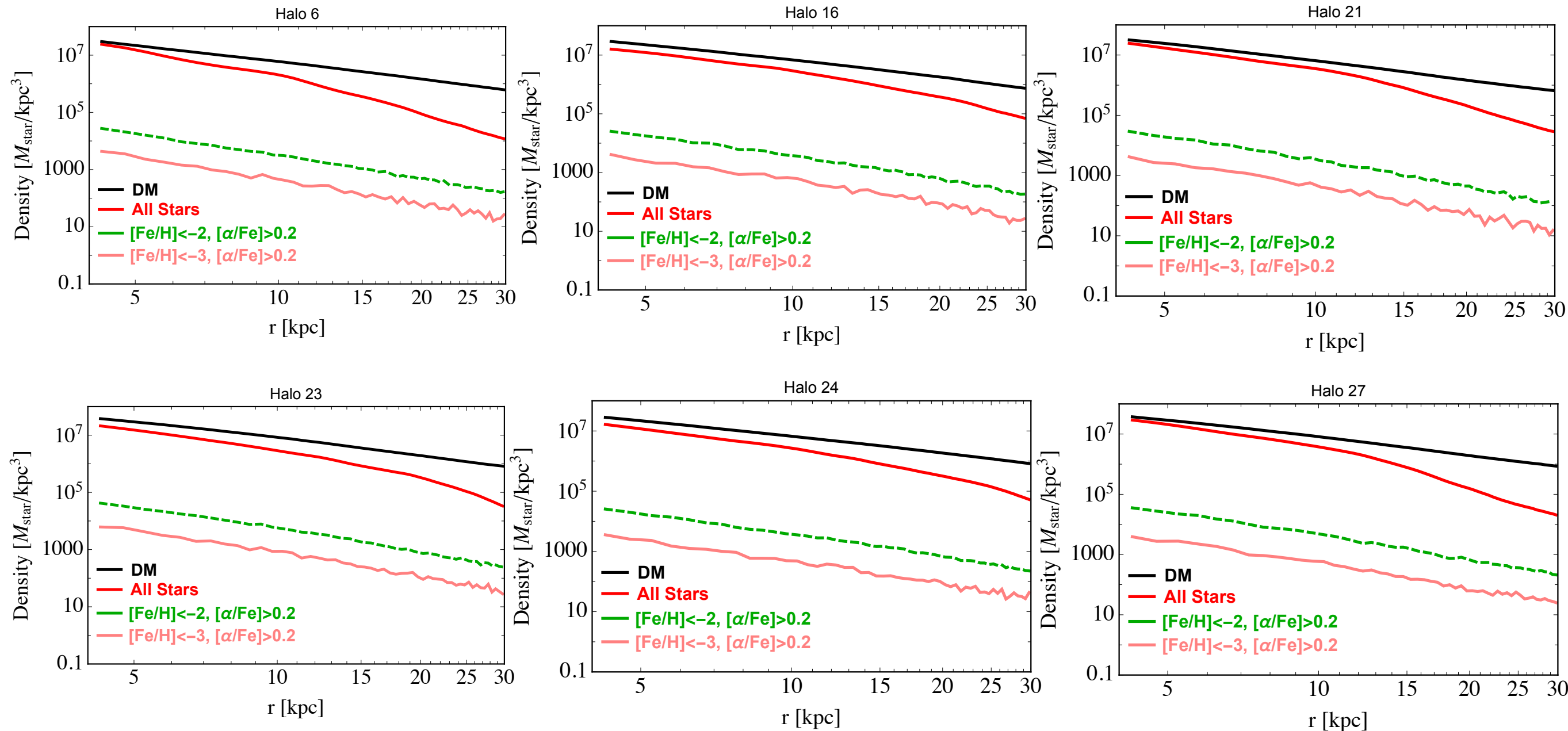


FIG. 3: Galactocentric speed distributions for SDSS stars within 4 kpc of the Sun and Galactocentric distances of  $7 < r < 10$  kpc, based on results from [54]. The distributions are shown for  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \in [-2.2, -2]$  (solid purple) and  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -2.2$  (solid orange). For comparison, we show the Standard Halo Model (dashed gray) with  $v_c = 220$  km/s. Not captured by this figure is the fact that the stellar distributions are not isotropic, as is typically assumed for the Standard Halo Model. The inset shows the expected background-free 95% C.L. limit on the DM spin-independent scattering cross section, assuming the exposure and energy threshold of the LUX experiment [55] for the SDSS and SHM velocity distributions.

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Lisanti, Madau,  
Necib, 1704.04499

# Density profiles in Auriga



Run	$\frac{M_{200}}{[10^{10} M_{\odot}]}$	$\frac{R_{200}}{[\text{kpc}]}$	$\frac{M_{*}}{[10^{10} M_{\odot}]}$
Au6	101.48	211.83	6.08
Au16	150.43	241.53	7.85
Au24	146.79	239.57	7.77

# Age-metallicity in Auriga

